



## Safe Schools Maryland Tip Line – Student Resources

Led by the Maryland Center for School Safety within the Maryland State Department of Education, Safe Schools Maryland is an anonymous tip reporting system that allows students, parents, and community members to easily report anonymous safety concerns anywhere in Maryland. Tips received are routed to local and state education, public safety, health, and/or social services support personnel for follow-up.

### **How do I report a tip?**

There are several ways to anonymously report information to Safe Schools Maryland:

App: SafeSchoolsMD available for download in both the Apple App Store and Google Play

Web: safeschoolsmd.org

Phone: 1-833-MD-B-SAFE (1-833-632-7233)

### **What sort of information should I report?**

A safer school begins with you. You should report any behavior that concerns you, including threats made against you or others, concerns about a friend's safety or well-being, or concerning behavior you see on social media or observe in the community.

### **What happens to the reported information?**

Trained technicians respond to reports to Safe Schools Maryland 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. In cases of immediate life threats or crimes in progress, local 9-1-1 and law enforcement will be notified immediately. In all cases, designated school system officials are notified for follow-up according to the school system's existing policies.

### **Does this replace 9-1-1?**

No. You should still call 9-1-1 in cases of emergency. Any immediate life threats or crimes in progress that come into Maryland Safe Schools will be handed off to 9-1-1 authorities and designated school recipients will be notified.

### **How can my school be involved?**

You can become a champion for Safe Schools Maryland in your school community. You can help ensure students are aware of the program and look for opportunities to promote Safe Schools Maryland wherever possible throughout the school year, including sporting events, theater productions, and other school functions. Free promotional materials are available at [www.safeschoolsmd.org](http://www.safeschoolsmd.org). Each county school system in Maryland has school officials that have been designated to receive tips from Safe Schools Maryland and are responsible for following up on the information according to existing school system policies.

### **Is it anonymous?**

Yes. You do not need to provide your name or contact information to report information. Deliberately false reports made by phone, online, or mobile app may be forwarded to law enforcement for investigation.

*Say Something. It Could Save a Life.*