

About iWatchTexas

Protecting Texas students, faculty, and schools requires everyone's support. iWatchTexas encourages students, administrators, parents, and concerned individuals to report anything that may trouble you; no concern is too small. By alerting the proper authorities to incidents that concern you, we can take steps toward preventing rather than reacting to school violence.

Depending on the nature of the report, referrals will be made to appropriate authorities which could include school officials, district officials and local law enforcement.

Using a single, statewide reporting system ensures that tips from different parts of the community are all integrated in order to link critical data. The iWatchTexas initiative is part of the DPS Intelligence and Counterterrorism Division (ICT), which serves as the central clearinghouse for the collection, management, analysis and dissemination of law enforcement and homeland security intelligence in Texas.

The iWatchTexas School Safety website and smartphone app is a confidential way for students, administrators, parents, and concerned individuals to report any concerns they may have related to potential threats to the safety and security of any school, student or faculty member in Texas.

Resources

The Texas School Safety Center (TxSSC)

TxSSC is an official university-level research center at Texas State University. The TxSSC is tasked in Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code and the Governor's Homeland Security Strategic Plan with key school safety initiatives and mandates.

877-304-2727 (toll-free)

512-245-8082

www.txssc.txstate.edu

Texas Health and Human Services (HHS)

Created in 1991, Texas Health and Human Services (HHS) oversees operations for the entire health and human services system in Texas. The agency's mission is to provide leadership, direction and foster the spirit of innovation needed to achieve an efficient and effective health and human services system for Texans.

www.mentalhealthtx.org

www.speakyourmindtexas.org



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School Safety
smart phone app

What to Report

A report usually takes fewer than five minutes to complete, and once submitted, each report is reviewed by law enforcement analysts. All reports are confidential and can be reported anonymously. However, providing contact information will allow for follow-up questions.

What should you report?

Who: Identify all of the individuals involved in the incident, including suspect(s), victim(s) and other witnesses. Describe each individual in as much detail as possible. Name, date of birth, eye color, hair color, height, build, etc.

What: What safety concern and/or threat did you observe? Provide as much detail as possible about the incident, including multimedia attachments.

When: When did you observe the safety concern and/or threat? Is there a safety concern or threat planned for a future date? If so, when?

Where: Where did you observe the safety concern and/or threat? Where is it directed?



3 Ways to Submit a Tip



iWatchTexas app

Available in the app stores for iPhone and Android. Search "iWatchTexas"



Website

www.iWatchTexas.org



Phone

844-643-2251

Submit tips 24/7

iWatchTexas Process

STEP 1



Submit confidential report
Students, parents, teachers or concerned individuals can confidentially report potential harmful or criminal activities.

STEP 2



iWatchTexas receives, analyzes and forwards report.

STEP 3



Officials respond to, investigate and resolve report.

Law enforcement and school officials may also refer the report to appropriate authorities, such as child protective services, mental health services, etc.

iWatchTexas is not designed to report emergencies. For emergencies, dial 911.