

See Something, Say Something: How Students Can Report Safety Concerns Anonymously

Students often notice or hear things before adults do, including potential crimes, rumors about fights, threats, or suspicious activity. Speaking up isn't always easy and can feel scary, especially if you don't have proof, fear revealing your identity, or worry about getting a friend in trouble.

That hesitation is natural. Still, sharing what you know can make a real difference. And, this is where Prince George's County Crime Solvers can help. Our [Students & School Crime Solvers program](#) provides a simple, safe, and anonymous way for students to submit tips. Even small details can help keep your school and community safe.

Keep reading to learn what to look out for and how reporting concerns can prevent something serious.

Situations Where Speaking Up Can Help

Safety concerns can arise in many places, including at school, online, in your neighborhood, or among friends. The examples below highlight situations where sharing information could help prevent a problem or keep someone safe.

School Safety Concerns

- You hear someone talking about bringing a weapon to school
- You see social media posts or messages about a fight planned before or after school
- You hear about someone spray-painting, vandalizing, or damaging school property

Crime in the Community

- You overhear someone selling drugs at school or in your neighborhood
- You see someone bragging about a stolen car or driving one
- You believe someone is stealing backpacks, jackets, shoes, or wallets

Bullying, Threats, or Personal Safety

- You know someone who is being threatened, bullied, or harassed in person or online
- You suspect a friend is afraid to go home because of violence or abuse
- You see messages, posts, or threats online that make you think someone might be in danger

If any of these situations sound familiar, do not try to handle it yourself or confront anyone directly. Trust your instincts and share what you know by [submitting an anonymous tip through Prince George's County Crime Solvers](#).

Understanding Weapon-Related Safety Concerns

One of the most serious concerns involves weapons. When you hear the word "weapon," you might picture a gun. But weapons can take many forms, and any conversation about bringing one to school, social gatherings, or community events should be taken seriously, even seemingly casual conversations about them should never be ignored.

Examples of Specific Weapon Types:

- Explosives
- Firearms (including ghost guns, which are often plastic and untraceable, but still illegal and dangerous)
- Knives
- Replica or BB guns
- Tasers
- Household items misused as weapons (scissors, hammers, or other tools)

How to Submit a Tip

If you see, hear, or read something concerning, **share what you know through one of our secure tip channels.**

These options are available **24/7** and are completely **anonymous**. Prince George's County investigators will **immediately step in** and handle the situation safely.

- [Online submission form](#)
- **Mobile app:** [P3 Tips](#)
- **Text message:** Text @PGCrimeSolvers to 738477
- **Anonymous Tip Line:** 1-866-411-TIPS (8477)

Remember: All four options are confidential. You will **never** be asked to reveal your identity.

More information about tip submission [here](#)

What Happens When You Submit A Tip

When you submit a tip:

- You'll receive a confidential Tip ID and password. Keep these somewhere secure; you'll need them to check updates or communicate with investigators without revealing your identity.
- Investigators review your information carefully. Any identifying details are removed before the tip is shared with the appropriate law enforcement agency.
- Your tip can make a real difference. If the information helps move a case forward or leads to an arrest, you could even qualify for a cash reward.

Your Voice Makes a Difference

For many years, Prince George's County Crime Solvers has emphasized that students' actions matter. Those who speak up responsibly almost always feel they did the right thing.

Remember—your actions can help keep yourself and others safe.