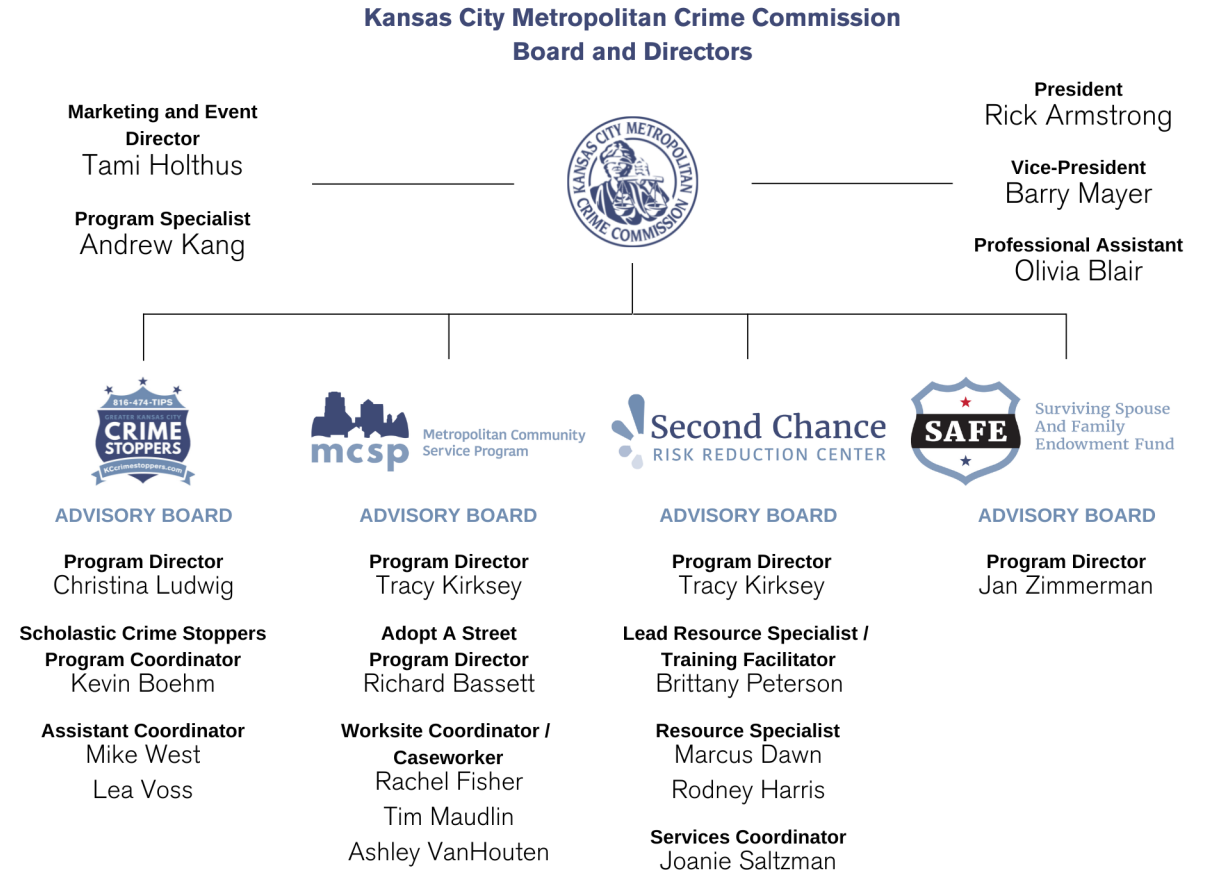
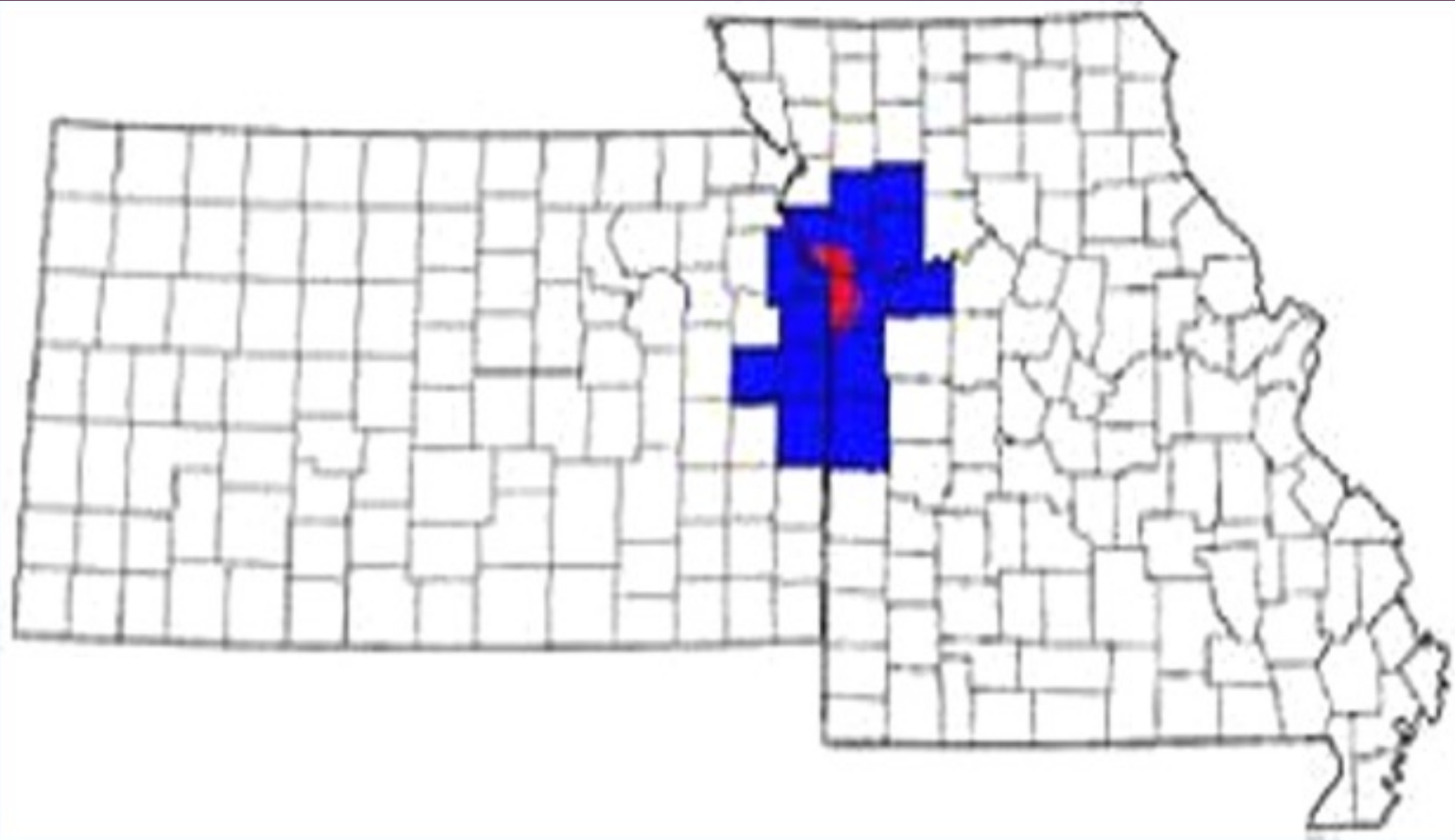


Scholastic Crime Stoppers – A Kansas City Perspective

What we offer – Where we go from here

KC Metro Crime Commission - 1949





Headlines

- 2 Guns in NKC Schools
- 2 Guns in Plate County MIDDLE Schools
- Tip received on gun/bomb in local PRIVATE School

ALL between Sept. 12 and Oct. 4, 2022!!!

- November 13, 2022 - University of Virginia - 3 shot to death by former UVA football player
- March 22, 2023 - Denver East H.S. - 2 administrators shot by 17-year-old student while conducting search for weapon
- March 27, 2023 - Nashville, TN - 28-year-old former student uses multiple weapons to kill 6 at a Presbyterian elementary school



MASS SCHOOL SHOOTINGS	
APRIL 20, 1999 COLUMBINE	13 KILLED 18 & 17-YEAR-OLD HIGH SHOOTERS
DECEMBER 14, 2012 SANDY HOOK	26 KILLED 20-YEAR-OLD ELEMENTARY SHOOTER
FEBRUARY 14, 2018 STONEMAN	17 KILLED 19-YEAR-OLD DOUGLAS HIGH SHOOTER
MAY 24, 2022 ROBB	21 KILLED 18-YEAR-OLD ELEMENTARY SUSPECT

History

Began in Colorado Springs, CO in 1980

Brought to KC metro in mid-90's "4-SCHOOLS"

Reintroduced in August 2014 with Text-A-Tip – Approx. 50 schools

P3 mobile app added in December 2016 – QR Code Dec. 2021

Over 175 current member schools – potential for nearly 800!

Benefits

Local Administration

Easy to use

FBI reports 81% knew of incident in advance

Suicide prevention

Anonymous, two-way dialogue

Real-time information

Local program operated by Greater KC Metropolitan Crime Commission.

Current partner with surrounding city, county, state, and federal level law enforcement.

Program inception in 1982 – 40th year of operation

- Member in good standing of Crime Stoppers USA.
- Well-known and respected program.
- Tripartite partnership with media, community and law enforcement.
- Accept 100% ANONYMOUS information of any kind from students.
- Pay “up to \$2,000.00” in cash rewards for eligible TIPS.
- New Crime Stoppers QR Code available. Scanning takes you directly to the KC Crime Stoppers webpage where you can submit info **without** downloading the app. Easier, faster, convenient, and ANONYMOUS way to submit information.
- P3 App operational for TIP submission. Free download at “P3TIPS” in Google Play or Apple iOS stores. Video and/or photographs can also be attached to the TIP.
- TIP submissions also accepted via phone, 816-474-8477 (TIPS), website, www.kccrimestoppers.com on 24/7 basis, Mobile App, QR Code or Text – KCCS to 738477.
- No service cost to school districts, parents, students, etc.
- Documented success in existing schools to include the **intervention of 19 suicide attempts or threats of suicide since August of 2014**. Weapons, threats of violence to schools, drugs and administrative issues also addressed through TIP information submitted by students/teachers/parents.
- Currently utilized by over 85+ middle and high schools in our 9-county coverage area.

Greater Kansas City Crime Stoppers
Tip Count Report - Scholastic
Created Date: 2024/01/01 to 2024/08/13

Recipient Total

Acadamie Lafayette	2
Antioch Middle (Spartans)	2
Baldwin City, Kansas High School	0
Blue Springs High School	0
Blue Springs High Schools - Career Innovation Center	0
Blue Springs High Schools - Valley View High School	0
Blue Springs Middle School - Brittany Hills	0
Blue Springs Middle School - Delta Woods	2
Blue Springs Middle School - Moreland Ridge	1
Blue Springs Middle School - Paul Kinder	0
Blue Springs South High School	1
Blue Valley Academy	2
Blue Valley High School Tigers	1
Blue Valley MS - Aubry Bend Middle School	0
Blue Valley MS - Blue Valley Middle School	0
Blue Valley MS - Frontier Trails Middle School	0
Blue Valley MS - Harmony Middle School	0
Blue Valley MS - Hocker Grove Middle School	0
Blue Valley MS - Indian Hills Middle School	0
Blue Valley MS - Indian Woods Middle School	0
Blue Valley MS - Lakewood Middle School	0
Blue Valley MS - Leawood Middle School	1

TIP
Volume
Since
2017

*CS Collects Stats on 40 Offense
Categories

#1 Drugs

#2 Homicide

#3 Fugitives

#4 *Scholastic Tips*

#5 Theft

#6 Assault

Suicide/Self Harm TIPS

- 76 Suicide or Att. Suicide Tips Received
- 15 Self Harm (Cutting or Mutilation)

- **PREVENTIONS - 19**

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|-------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|--------|
| • STALEY (#1) | Apr-15 | NEW MARK MIDDLE (#16) | Oct-19 |
| • PARK HILL SOUTH (#2) | Oct-15 | NEW MARK MIDDLE (#17) | Nov-19 |
| • WINNETONKA (#3) | Sep-16 | STALEY (#18) | Dec-19 |
| • SMITHVILLE (#4) | Sep-17 | NEW MARK MIDDLE (#19) | Feb-22 |
| • STALEY (#5) | Oct-17 | | |
| • STALEY (#6) | Apr-18 | | |
| • BLUE VALLEY NORTH (#7) | May-18 | | |
| • OAK PARK (#8) | May-18 | | |
| • NORTH PLATTE (#9) | Jun-18 | | |
| • BLUE VALLEY NORTHWEST (#10) | Jul-18 | | |
| • BLUE VALLEY WEST (#11) | Aug-18 | | |
| • STALEY (#12) | Sep-18 | | |
| • STALEY (#13) | Feb-19 | | |
| • BLUE VALLEY NORTH (#14) | Mar-19 | | |
| • KEARNEY (#15) | Mar-19 | | |

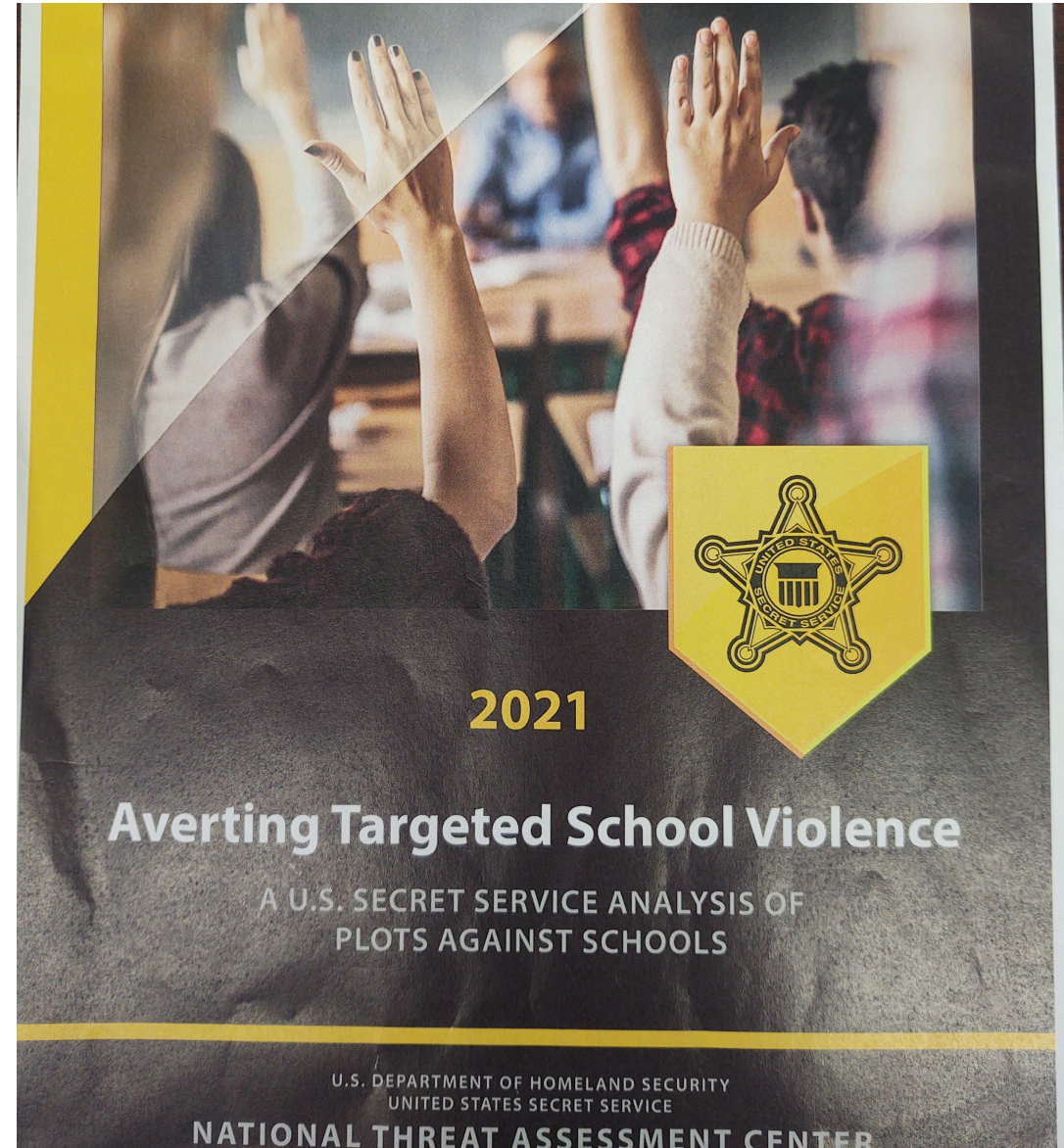
What We Are Addressing

- About 25 percent of the adolescent population is at high risk for psycho-social problems and poor developmental outcomes such as academic failure, alcohol and other drug abuse, delinquency and problems with the law and violence. Twenty percent have a diagnosable mental health disorder at sometime during adolescence, the highest rate for any age group through the life-span. **THE SCHOOL SHOOTER: A THREAT ASSESSMENT PERSPECTIVE, Mary Ellen O'Toole, PhD, Supervisory Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation (Pg. 12)**
- A "code of silence" prevails among students. Few feel they can safely tell teachers or administrators if they are concerned about another student's behavior or attitudes. Little trust exists between students and staff. **THE SCHOOL SHOOTER: A THREAT ASSESSMENT PERSPECTIVE, Mary Ellen O'Toole, PhD, Supervisory Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation (Pg. 23)**

What We Are Addressing (Cont.)

- First, the perpetrators exhibited concerning behavior prior to the attack in 93% of the incidents. This suggests that attacks might have been avoided with proper observation techniques and more open sharing of information. Second, and more significant, at least one other person had some type of knowledge of the attacker's plan in 81% of the incidents and more than one person had such knowledge in 59% of the incidents. Of those individuals who had prior knowledge, 93% were peers of the perpetrators – friends, schoolmates, or siblings (Vossekuil et al., 2002).

USSS ANALYSIS



USSS Recommendations

- School districts are encouraged to develop policies that address the many aspects of reporting a threat. While many schools have policies that address threatening behavior, these policies do not always attend to all aspects of reporting threats, such as what procedure a student should follow in reporting a threat and what the school's role is when such information is received. School policies should:
 - Encourage students, staff, faculty, parents, and others to report all apparent threats or threatening or disturbing behaviors.
 - Provide several options for the reporting of threats, including reporting anonymously if necessary.
- **PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF POTENTIAL SCHOOL-BASED VIOLENCE:** INFORMATION STUDENTS LEARN MAY PREVENT A TARGETED ATTACK UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE AND UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WASHINGTON, DC May 2008, Pg. 9
- Additionally, the use of "Crime Stoppers Programs" was specifically mentioned as a resource to detect and prevent school violence.

KC Regional Fusion Center

July 2022 Study: 134% increase in “mass violence threats towards schools” from 2018-19 to 2021-22 school years. “The threat of active-shooter incidents within the KC metro area continues to increase.”

Firearms identified in 54%, explosives identified in 8% of mass casualty threats directed at schools in the KC area.

Recommendations: Holistic crisis management, interface with external collaborators, “remain vigilant and report” (P3Tips.com)



FBI Statistics

“The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) received nearly 6,000 reports of threats against schools in 2022, which is a 60% increase from 2021.”

(Harper, Special Agent Jeanette. 2023, February 21). Multi-Agency Press Conference Addressing School Threats in the El Paso Area.)

HOW IT WORKS

TIPS HOTLINE CALL PROCEDURE

1. Incoming TIPS Answered



2. Report taken & Caller issued a Code Number



3. TIPS sent to Police to investigate



4. Arrest made & TIPS notified



5. KC Crime Stopper Board approves reward



6. TIPster notified via message and asked to call TIPS hotline



7. Cash Reward for TIPS



OUR MISSION

As a nationally recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit, we advocate, develop strategies and operate innovative programs that bring people and public safety agencies together to **POWER A SAFER, BETTER GREATER KANSAS CITY COMMUNITY**

"CONFLICT RESOLUTION CAN BEGIN WITH ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION"

PROVEN HISTORY IN KANSAS CITY

- Colorado Springs in 1980
- Brought to KC Metro in 1990's (4 schools)
- The KCCrimeStoppers Website created in 2005
- P3 Mobile App introduced in 2016
- QR code introduced in 2022



KCCrimeStoppers.com

ANONYMOUS TIPS SAVE LIVES



- Admin Issues, Mental Health Concerns, Felony Level Offenses
- 1 potential mass school violence incident averted
- Prevented 19 suicides
- Over 1,850 scholastic specific tips have been received

STATISTICS ARE CURRENT AS OF FEBRUARY 2024



SCHOLASTIC CRIME STOPPERS

20+ School Districts
150+ Schools
Potential 700+ Schools

KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN CRIME COMMISSION
3100 BROADWAY BLVD. SUITE 1234
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64111
816-960-6800 | WWW.KC-CRIME.ORG

TREMENDOUS BENEFITS



- FREE membership
- Local administration
- Anonymous
- Potential cash rewards
- 24/7 access
- Available to students, staff and parents

P3 APP MAKES REPORTING EASY

PROACTIVE/PREVENTION
134% increase in "mass violence threats towards schools" from 2018-19 to 2021-22 ⁽¹⁾



- 93% exhibited "Concerning Behavior" ⁽²⁾
- 81% At least 1 person KNEW ⁽²⁾
- 59% 2 or more KNEW ⁽²⁾
- The USSS suggests developing strategies to report/encourage reporting by utilizing "Crime Stoppers" and/or anonymous options if necessary ⁽²⁾

(1) JULY 2022 KC REGIONAL FUSION CENTER STUDY
(2) "2021 AVERAGING ENHANCED SCHOOL VIOLENCE" - A U.S. SECRET SERVICE ANALYSIS OF PLOTS AGAINST SCHOOLS



REMAIN ANONYMOUS



TIPS HOTLINE

816-474-8477



WEB TIPS

KcCrimestoppers.com



FREE MOBILE APP

P3Tips.com



Crime Stoppers QR Code Banner

FUN FACT: You can take a picture of the QR code and still scan it from your phone!

Questions/Comments??

Thank you for your time and attention

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