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Summary

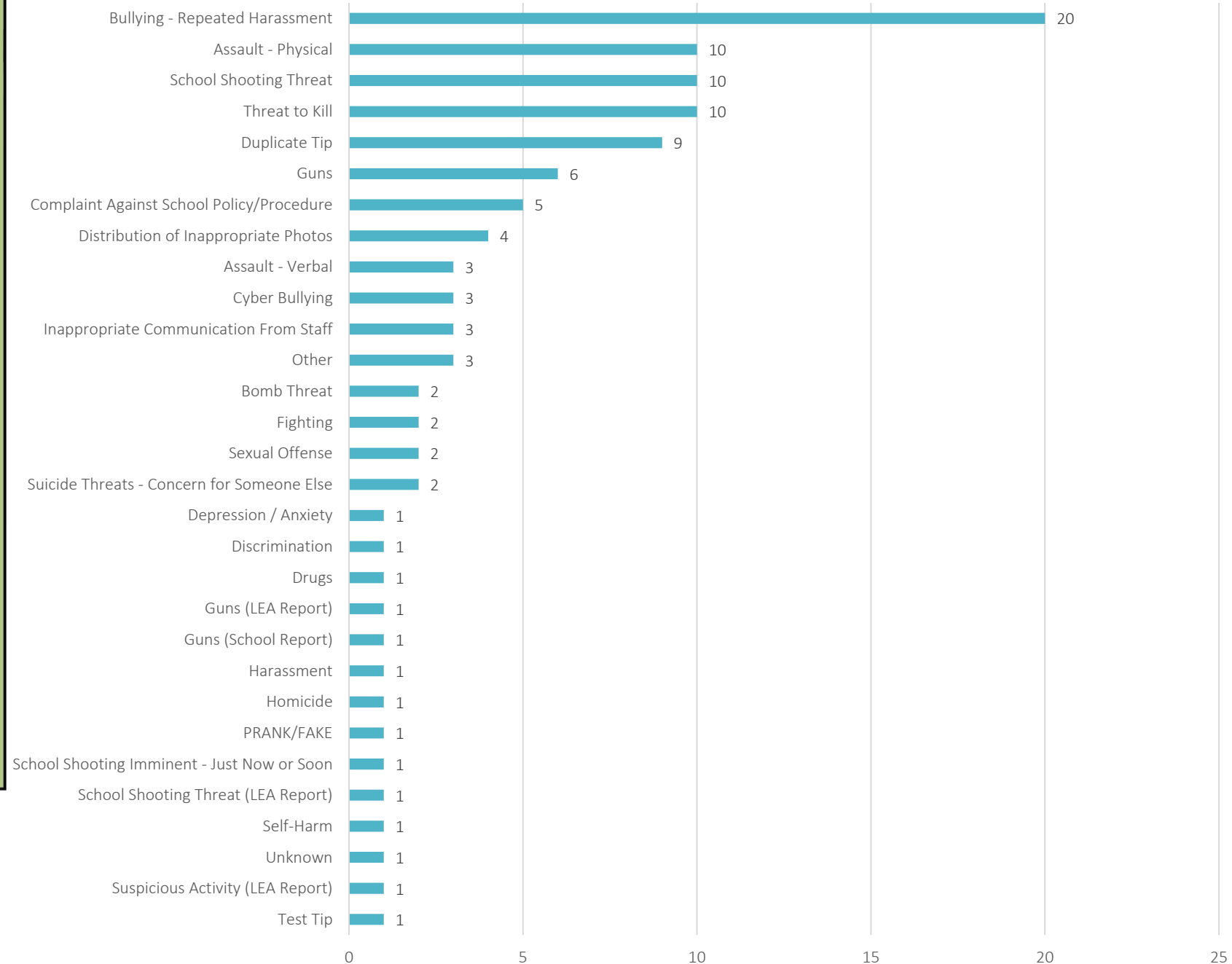
## TIP SUMMARY: January 2024

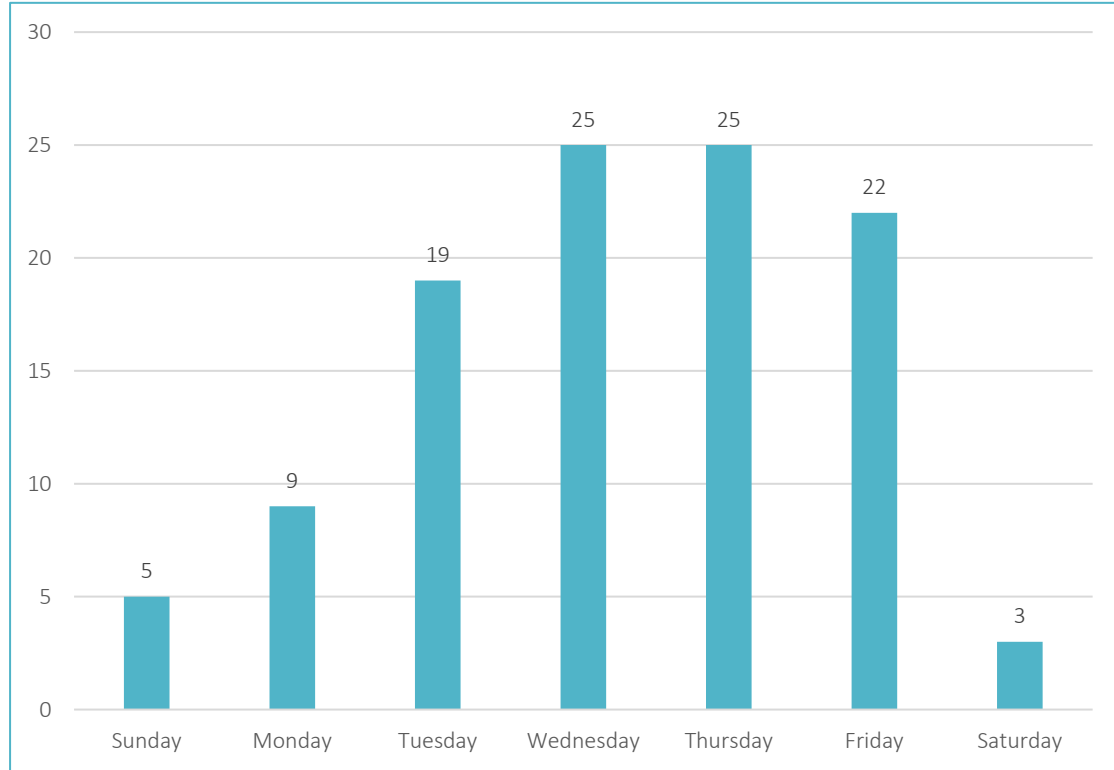
In January 2024,  
Courage2Report  
received **108** tips.

Compared to last year,  
(**98** tips in January 2023),  
we saw a **10%** increase.

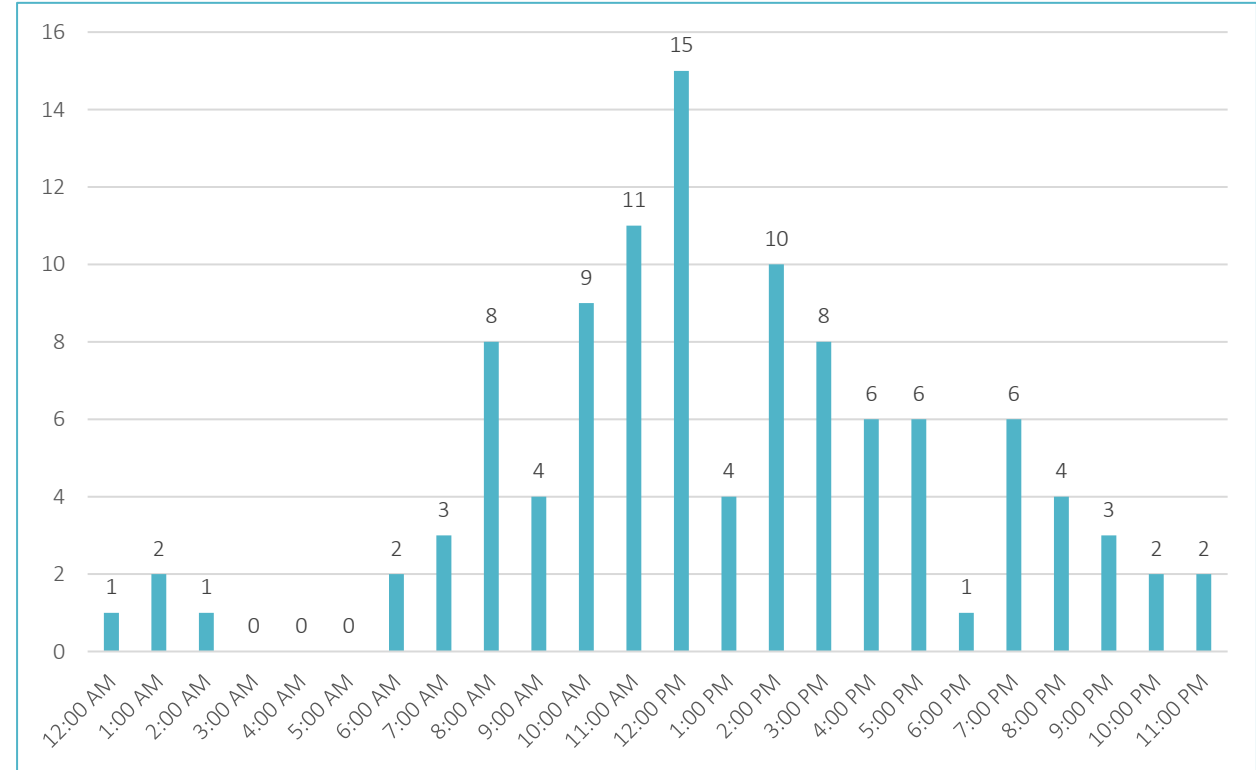
**Bullying** was the number  
one most reported tip  
type this month, same  
as January 2023.

## January 2024 Tip Summary



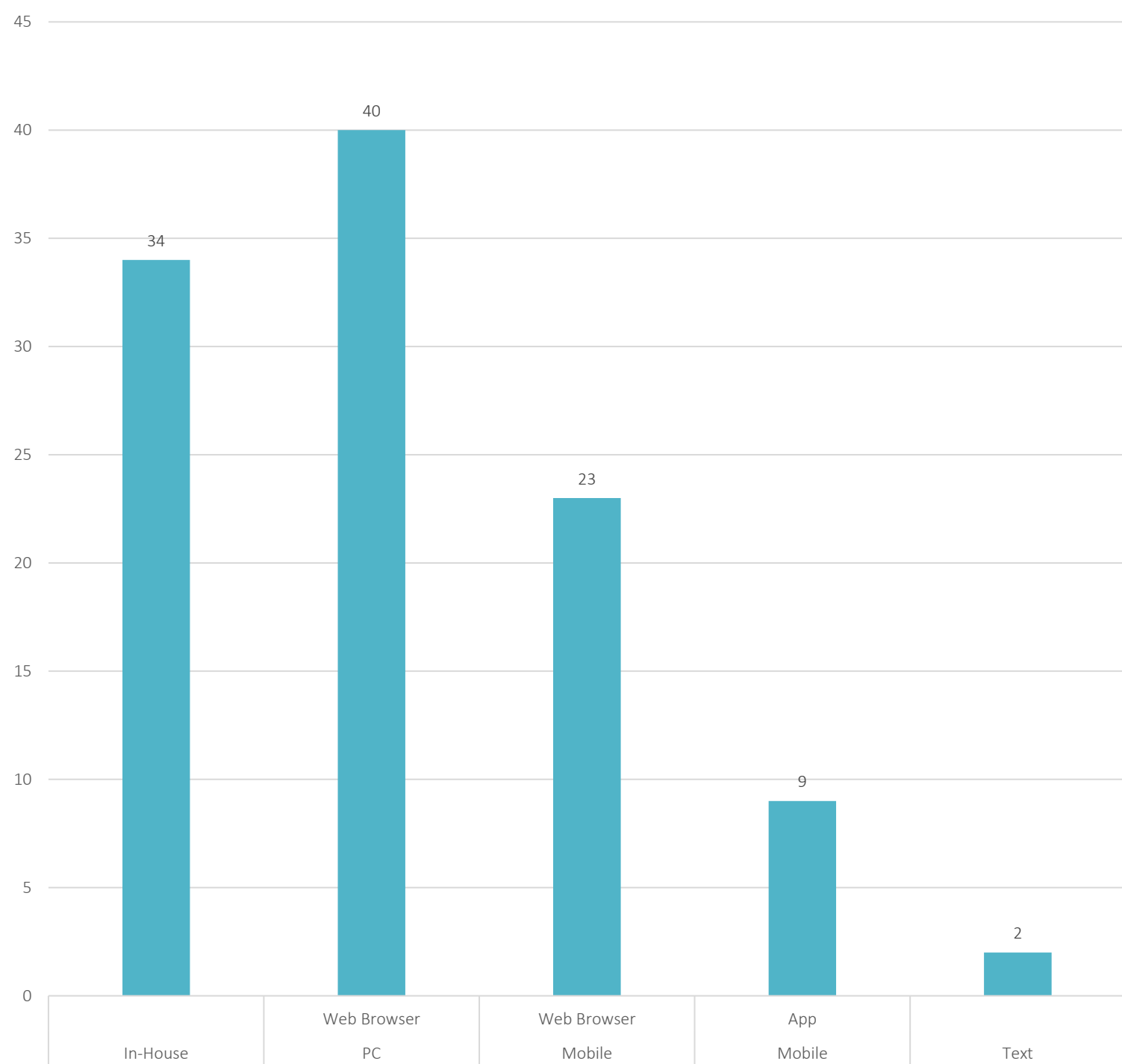


In the month of January, Wednesday and Thursday were tied for days of the week with the most tips reported. This is a change from last month. Most tips were received on Mondays during December 2023.



In January, the busiest time of day was between 12:00pm and 12:59pm.

Reporting from a computer's browser was the preferred way to submit tips in January.



# HandleWithCare (HWC)

In January 2024, we received **38** HandleWithCare tips.

In January 2023, we received a total of **11** HandleWithCare tips.

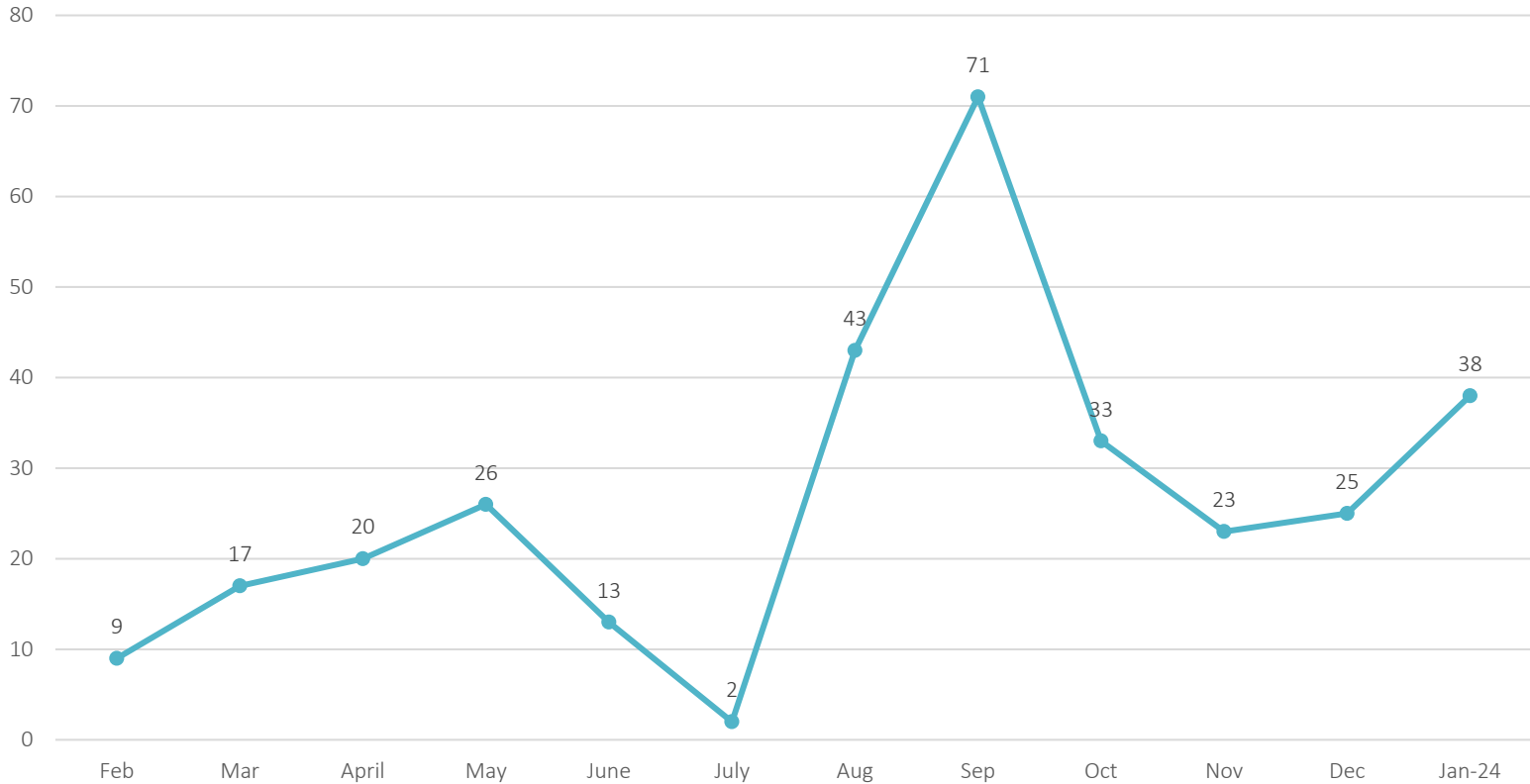
HandleWithCare will be live in Adair County very soon.

**Did you know?** In some areas, HWC includes other First Responders, such as EMS and Fire.

## The “HandleWithCare” Model:

If a law enforcement officer encounters a child during a call, that child's information is forwarded to the school before the school bell rings the next day. The school implements individual, class and whole school trauma-sensitive curricula so that traumatized children are “Handled With Care”. If a child needs more intervention, on-site trauma-focused mental healthcare is available at the school.

Previous 12 Months of HandleWithCare Tips





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# Training Opportunity

**When: March 6 – 7, 2024**  
**8:00am - 5:00pm**

**Where: Stoney Creek Hotel, Columbia MO**  
**2601 S Providence Rd, Columbia, MO 65203**

Log into the [MSBA Portal](#), then  
[REGISTER FOR THE SUMMIT HERE](#) or call 573-445-9920

**\$99 per attendee | Materials and lunch is included**

**Hotel Accommodations:**

Contact Stoney Creek Hotel directly for room reservations: 1-800-659-2220 Rooms are \$99/night. Please use group code MOSBA0324 when reserving your room. Reservations must be made before February 4, 2024.

**Registration Questions:**

Email [registration@mosba.org](mailto:registration@mosba.org) or call 573-445-9920 for questions about registration.

**School Safety Questions:**

Email Glen Moore, [moore@mosba.org](mailto:moore@mosba.org) or call 573-445-9920, ext 416 for questions about the summit or school safety.

## Behavioral Risk Assessment Summit

Missouri School Boards' Association's Center for Education Safety (CES) will host a two-day summit for K-12 school threat management. Speakers include Lina Alathari, Dewey Cornell, Peter Langman, John Nicoletti, Melissa Reeves, and other experts in the field. This is an excellent opportunity for individuals and teams to learn from several of the world's leading experts in school safety.

If a school team has yet to receive basic training, a **FREE** pre-conference training day will be available on March 5th. Log into the MSBA Portal and register for that [session only here](#) or select 'CES: Behavioral Risk Assessment Team Training - Registration \$0' from the Events drop down menu.



**When: March 26 – March 28**

**Where: Columbia, MO**

**Register Here - [School Safety Academy Application](#)**

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## **Don't Miss the Next School Safety Academy**

MSBA's Center for Education Safety is pleased to announce plans for another School Safety Academy to be held March 26 - 28, 2024, in Columbia, MO. The Academy is grant-funded and will be offered to you at no cost. The curriculum will include presentations on a variety of topics that are designed to help you improve the climate in your school. **Application deadline is March 1, 2024 at 5:00 PM.**

# Training Opportunity

## **About the Academy**

Participation in the School Safety Academy will grant designated school safety coordinators your certification as a School Safety Specialist, in accordance with school safety coordinator requirements outlined in section 160.660 RSMo. and the Missouri School Improvement Program, version 6 (MSIP 6).

This training should also be considered for School Resource Officers and School Protection Officers as outlined in section 160.665 RSMo.

Academy training, and subsequent advanced training opportunities, will be focused on safety topics that include:

- Effective Communication/ Information Sharing
- Mental Health/Behavioral Risk
- School Climate and Culture
- Emergency Operations Plan
- Physical Security/Technology
- Safety Assessments/ Audits
- Training/ Drills
- Legal Issues
- Cyber Security



# Human Trafficking Resources for the K-12 Community

- **What is Human Trafficking?**
  - Youth Human Trafficking
  - Indicators and Risk Factors
- **Strategies for Schools to Address Human Trafficking**
  - Create a Safe and Supportive School Environment
  - Increase Awareness and Education
  - Develop and Implement Prevention and Response Plans

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SCHOOLSAFETY.GOV  
Human Trafficking Resources for the K-12 Community

Learn what human trafficking is, how to prevent it in school communities, and what to do to support students affected by the crime.

### What is Human Trafficking?

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign website states that human trafficking is a crime that involves the use of force, fraud, or coercion to obtain some type of labor or commercial sex act. It is also important to note that causing someone under the age of 18 to engage in a commercial sex act, regardless of using force, fraud, or coercion is human trafficking under U.S. law. Every year, millions of people are trafficked around the world, including students in the American school system.

Those affected by human trafficking can be any race, gender identity, sex, ethnicity, nationality, or immigration status, and no community, school, socioeconomic group, or student demographic is immune to the threat of this crime. Cases of trafficking are found in every area of the country—including rural, suburban, and urban settings alike—with devastating consequences including physical, emotional, and psychological trauma.

### Youth Human Trafficking

While there is no standard profile, many traffickers target youth who are vulnerable to exploitation simply because they may be less equipped to make informed decisions when presented with a situation that could lead to trafficking. Peer-to-peer recruitment may also take place in schools, which is when traffickers coerce or force youth under their control into recruiting their peers with promises of payment, better status, or less abuse.

#### Indicators of Trafficking

Youth affected by human trafficking can exhibit physical, behavioral, or social indicators. Some of these indicators may include:

- Unexplained absences
- Sudden or dramatic changes in behavior
- Newly obtained material possessions like expensive new clothing or electronics
- The appearance of deprivation or withdrawal.

While no single indicator is necessarily proof of human trafficking, recognizing these types of signs is the first step in identifying potential individuals impacted by this crime.

#### Risk Factors

Potential risk factors that may make students vulnerable to exploitation or trafficking may include:

- Adverse childhood experiences
- History of trauma
- Housing instability/homelessness
- Lack of supportive adult figures

Traffickers recognize these factors may make someone more likely to take risks to access opportunities and stability.

To report suspected human trafficking to Federal law enforcement, please call 1-866-347-2423. To get help from the National Human Trafficking Hotline, please call 1-888-373-7888 or text HELP or INFO to BeFree (233733).

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# FBI Reports Increase in Hate Crimes at U.S. Schools

After the categories of residence/home and highway/road/alley, school was the third most common location for a reported hate crime offense to occur during the five-year period of 2018 to 2022. Hate crime in school comprised as much as 10 percent of all reported hate crime offenses in the most recently observed year of 2022. Transcending a basic count, this report analyzes the occurrences and fluctuations of hate crimes reported in the school environment from 2018 through 2022, and their specific bias motivations.

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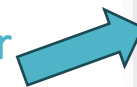


Table 1: Total Reported Hate Crime by Year, 2018-2022

| Year | Incidents | Offenses |
|------|-----------|----------|
| 2018 | 7,181     | 8,492    |
| 2019 | 7,874     | 9,132    |
| 2020 | 9,949     | 12,895   |
| 2021 | 10,891    | 12,470   |
| 2022 | 11,643    | 13,346   |

The UCR Program provides three school-related options regarding the location where an offense occurred:

- School – Elementary/Secondary
  - Defined as institutions for the instruction of children from preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
- School – College/University
  - Defined as institutions for the higher education of individuals, which gives instruction in specialized fields; community colleges; trade schools.
- School/College
  - Unspecified definition.

Prior to 2010, School/College was the only data value for the location data element indicating a school as the location of a criminal offense and was used for all school locations, regardless of the age or advancement of enrolled students. In 2010, School – Elementary/Secondary and School – College/University were added as data values to distinguish the demographics of the enrolled students at the location of school-related offenses. Although agencies are encouraged to specify Elementary/Secondary or College/University when designating school as the offense location, the original comprehensive School/College location is still an option.

# 17-year-old alleged 'serial swatter' charged after police say he made threats throughout the country

## **CNN —**

A 17-year-old "serial swatter" from California is believed to be responsible for hundreds of swatting incidents and bomb threats throughout the United States and is now facing charges in Florida, according to a pretrial detention motion.

Alan Filion was extradited to Florida on January 30 to face charges for a swatting incident at a mosque, according to the Seminole County State Attorney's Office.

Swatting is making a false report to the police with the intention of luring them to a location by saying a violent crime has taken place or is in progress.

<https://www.cnn.com/2024/01/31/us/teen-serial-swatter-charged-florida/index.html>





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