

Studies Show

VIOLENCE AND BULLYING IN SCHOOLS

IS STILL A MAJOR CONCERN

We exist in a world where taking steps to ensure safety in our educational institutions has never been more crucial for educators and administrators. While security measures like access control and video cameras have become standard, bullying and school violence are still two of the top issues SROs and officials face.

Bullying and violence can have far-reaching effects, and those subject to bullying are at increased risk for poor school adjustment, depression, isolation, and anxiety. Additionally, other children who hear about or witness bullying may be frightened to come to school, and the prevalence of bullying can result in negative perceptions of the school and its leadership.

THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR EDUCATION STATISTICS (NCES)

further showed:



Bullying often goes unreported

According to the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), in 2019, nearly 1 out of every 4 students aged 12-18 reported being bullied during the school year:

ONLY 46% of bullied students report notifying an adult of the incident.

Incidents of school violence are still very prevalent

80% of public schools recorded that one or more incidents of violence, theft, or other crimes had taken place – that's 1.4 million incidents.

Acts of violence against staff and educators is on the rise

33% of surveyed teachers reported experiencing at least one incident of verbal and/or threatening violence from students during COVID, according to a study by the American Psychological Association.

OVER 40% of school administrators reported verbal or threatening violence from parents during COVID.

Most school attack plots can be detected ahead of time

According to a 2021 report released by the U.S. Secret Service, in nearly **94%** of averted cases of school violence analyzed, the plotters shared their intentions ahead of time.

Out of the 67 plots reviewed in the analysis, **75%** of plots were detected solely because the plotters communicated their attempts ahead of time. And of those plots, **69%** of the communications were discovered by the plotters' friends, classmates, or other peers.

How can campuses continue to address student and staff safety?



While faculty and staff are more naturally inclined to support initiatives promoted by the institution, students generally are not. Engaging students in safety initiatives, providing training to increase awareness, and developing connections to build trust between students and campus safety officials are vital steps to building a strong, healthy campus where all individuals are empowered to take an active role in campus safety.

Campuses need to encourage a community-based approach to safety

The importance of encouraging a community-based approach to campus safety cannot be understated, but it can be challenging to get students and staff to report suspicious behavior or incidents if they fear it may lead to retaliation or being ostracized.

Omnigo Software delivers innovative solutions that enable you to establish a safer campus environment and ensure compliance.



Omnigo Report Exec

Report Exec automates and improves your reporting process to save your team valuable time and keep them highly informed throughout an incident.



Omnigo Community

Community helps increase trust and encourages staff and students to take a more active role in campus safety with a simple, two-way chat interface that supports photo and video file attachments.



Omnigo Dispatch+

Using our customizable platform, schools can automate and intelligently handle a range of security and regulation challenges unique to campuses. Proactively address the multiple facets of security from threat detection and violence prevention to response during fast-moving situations.

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Omnigo's streamlined software solutions enable you to approach campus safety, security, and fast-moving situations proactively and intelligently.



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