

NBSIA Member Services Safety Bulletin

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PREVENT VANDALISM AT YOUR SITE



School campuses can be a temptation for loiterers and vandals--especially during the summer months when school is out. Protect your school and district sites from vandalism by following these useful tips:

- Make sure your fire and intrusion alarms are working properly. Repair all elements that are malfunctioning.
- Check all lighting on campus. Replace burned out bulbs. Install lighting in dark areas. Consider installing motion sensor lights.
- Add or increase nightly patrols of campuses, especially during the summer months when the weather is warmer, days are longer, and people are out later.
- Don't allow landscaping to provide camouflage for vandals. Cut back weeds and other vegetation around the campus to reduce fire risk and hiding places.
- Protect sprinkler heads from breakage to prevent flooding.
- Shut down the gas supply to science rooms when school is out of session.
- Remove garbage cans and lock dumpsters when school is out of session. Garbage has been used as an ignition source for arson fires.
- Keep gates locked. Check fences and gates for damage and make repairs, if needed.
- Keep window coverings closed so people cannot see into the rooms and content is hidden.

- Store high value equipment (computers, TVs, etc.) in secure rooms, preferably without windows.
- Make sure surveillance cameras are working properly. Post signage around the perimeter of the school alerting would-be vandals to the security system you have in place.
- Post WeTip signs where neighbors can see them.



What is WeTip?

WeTip is an anonymous crime reporting hotline. Students, staff and neighborhood members can call the hotline anytime, 24/7, to report any sort of crime or suspicious activity.

There is even an app! Scan the QR code to access the WeTip mobile app.



For more information about the WeTip program, or for flyers for your sites, please contact the NBSIA Member Services department.

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