

School Safety Organizations How To Get Started

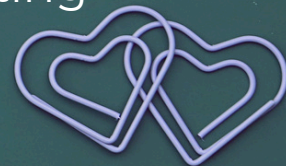


Organizations can include clubs, chapters, boards, councils, etc. The organization must be student-led and convene for the purpose of school safety.

Mission: To promote school safety awareness, kindness, and inclusion year-round through a student-led organization.

Goals:

- Keep your school safe for everyone.
- Help make all Maryland schools safe through your leadership and example.
- Make sure every student knows how to access and use the Safe Schools Maryland Anonymous Reporting System.



Step #1 Establish a school safety organization at your school through the existing process.

1. Get school administration and staff support.
2. Determine student leadership and meeting logistics.
3. Recruit students to join that represent all aspects of the student body.

4. Name it!!



Step #2: Apply to the Maryland Center for School Safety (MCSS) for recognition.

Recognition provides the organization with monthly newsletters that share ideas from other students across the state. Applying for recognition requires providing evidence of an active organization (defined as meeting at least 4 times a year and sponsoring at least 2 school safety strategies for your school and community). Your organization's name will be listed on the official MCSS online registry. [MCSS recognition form](#)

Step #3: Lead events that promote school safety solutions.

Go to the MCSS Student Voice webpage for strategy and event ideas [Bit.ly/MCSS_StudentVoice](https://bit.ly/MCSS_StudentVoice).



Step #4: Promote the Safe Schools Maryland (SSMD) Reporting System.

1. Place SSMD posters around the school building.
2. Arrange times for school officials and students to talk about the importance of reporting concerns to adults at school and using SSMD to keep school safe.
3. Promote SSMD on social media.
4. Create SSMD posters, flyers, or video/audio messages and share them with your community.

Safe Schools MD Reporting System

Anonymous reports can be submitted by...



Calling
1-833-MD-B-SAFE



Visiting
SafeSchoolsMD.org



Using the
App

