



SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER REPORT



FOR PARENTS:



As the holiday season fast approaches, many of us become dazzled with the lights, sounds, and smells and forget that criminals are ever vigilant and especially so, at this time of year. Before work and school, lots of people like to leave their cars running to warm up while they are unattended in the driveway, parking lots, and at convenience stores. It's a **BAD IDEA** for you, but a **GOOD** opportunity for thieves.

Some of us need to be reminded that even though the economy has been recovering, even good people have been making bad choices to make money. Don't be a target: Keep car doors locked when unattended, and remove your valuables. At the very least, keep them out of sight when you're out & about shopping. Cell phones, iPads & iPods are hot-ticket items at the present time, so keep an eye on your child's. If students are bringing these items to school, please help us by reminding them to keep their electronics on them, or locked up somewhere. Unattended backpacks are easy pickin's.

Remember: Responsibility is a learned trait.

Here is a link for a free cell phone application: "Send This Instead." It encourages teens to use this instead of sexting. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone can disseminate this to family and friends. The App is available for Android and Apple iOS. This App was created for Internet Crimes Against Children.

http://sendthisinstead.com/?page_id=76

If your child is being bullied at school, on the bus or elsewhere in public, make sure they report it. School administration should be notified first, as it's against District policy, and they can take action & put preventive measures in place for your child. If the harassment continues, we can certainly charge the subject with various laws that are already in place if you have screen-shots or other evidence to support your claim.

Bullying is not a crime in and of itself, but harassment, or using any computer or telephone / electronic device to terrify, intimidate, threaten, harass, annoy or offend... is, and we will not hesitate to charge for it (this includes postings on Instagram, SnapChat, Twitter, etc.).

No one needs to be a victim of bullying and we take this serious. There are many forms of it: Cyber (cell phone, internet), Physical, Verbal (spreading rumors, teasing) and Social (leaving someone out, gossip).

TO END IT, WE NEED THEM TO REPORT IT!

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

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