



24/7 Security Services, as a market leader in school and campus security, has a dedicated School and Campus Security Division. The objective of the division is to provide tailor-made security solutions with a host of proactive safety and security initiatives for schools and campuses. We are focussed on the continuous development and implementation of best practice security protocols to ensure the safety of our learners, teachers, and parents.



24/7 Smart Surveillance is advanced off-site monitoring that enables CCTV systems to intelligently assess an environment and notify the 24/7 Command Centre of an intrusion. The technology draws immediate attention to unauthorised activity, allowing us to intervene and react before a crime occurs. In contrast, traditional means of CCTV surveillance only cater for investigations after the crime has occurred, in many cases having costly consequences for the school or campus. The intelligent detection software employed behind each



camera effectively turns it into a 24/7, 365-day security guard.

24/7 Smart Surveillance is ideally suited for school and campus security. The expansive premises, high-risk perimeters, and multiple entrances can be monitored 24/7. 24/7 Smart Surveillance is powered by 24/7 Security Services.

> <u>Click here to watch the</u> 24/7 Smart Surveillance video

Event and Casual Guarding

24/7 Security Services Special Events Division specialises in the deployment and operational planning of events at schools and campuses - ranging from large sporting events and concerts to ad hoc functions such as open days and matric farewells.

A dedicated and trained team of managers, supervisors and special event staff are available to assist with your event from inception to execution. All event staff are pre-screened and carefully selected based on the event requirements.

Ad hoc guarding services include Venue Protection Officers and Close Protection Officers – highly trained security specialists who excel in personal protection at venues and events.

For more information or a quote, please contact Charlotte Kruger at 011 444 2237 or charlottek@24-7security.co.za





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Kidnappings

24/7 Security Services is concerned about the increase in the number of kidnappings and attempted kidnappings.

The last thing one should do is instil a sense of fear in children, but a healthy sense of awareness of possible dangers can save a lot of heartache, and even lives.

Safety tips for parents and children:

Eyes always open

- Keep an eye out for loitering strangers and people acting suspiciously.
- Avoid being distracted by your phone when visiting public spaces.

 If you notice anything suspicious, move away and report it – remember, kidnappings happen in a matter of seconds.

Avoid danger areas

- Avoid situations where you can become separated from your children.
- Teach children to only visit well-protected and monitored areas where there is a responsible adult nearby.

Stay in contact

• Instruct children to contact you (or another adult) immediately when something goes wrong. Children often try and resolve situations themselves, which could ultimately endanger their lives.

• Plans change – but be sure to inform each other if there are changes in locations, times etc.

Details matter

• Children must know their own address, their parents' cell phone numbers and other emergency contact numbers. Teach children this from an early age and 'test' them regularly to ensure that the details are correct.

- Use technology, such as tracking apps, to track the movement of your children.
- Ensure that you have the contact details of your children's friends and the friends' parents. Often children are reported as missing when they are in actual fact visiting friends.

When things go wrong

• Teach children that when somebody follows them, tries to restrain them or force them into a car, they must run and scream as loud as they can. Dropping to the ground and screaming "this is not my dad", or "this is not my mom" will attract attention from passers-by.

David De Lima, 24/7 Security Services Managing Director, shares some thoughts about Kidnapping and Personal Security in the March 2022 edition of Security Focus Africa.

<u>Click here</u> and turn to page 14 to read the article.



School drop-offs and collections:

- School items must be prepared at home so that drop-offs can take place quickly and efficiently.
- Teach children to get in and out of the vehicle as quickly as possible.
- If possible, drive into the school grounds and ensure that children are safe before leaving.
- Refrain from talking on your cell phone or texting while waiting for your children at school.
- Place valuables such as laptops and handbags in the boot of the vehicle.





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K9 Unit

The 24/7 Security Services K9 Unit forms part of our Special Operations Teams and provides back-up to our Guarding and Armed Reaction Divisions.

The 24/7 Security K9 Unit provides the following specialised services:

- Narcotics detection at schools, campuses, and commercial properties
- Indoor and outdoor tracking and tracing of suspects
- Building searches
- Crowd control
- Night patrols
- Perimeter patrols
- Public space safety

Narcotics searches of schools, campuses, and boarding houses are conducted by trained detection dogs and qualified handlers. They specialise in the detection of methamphetamine, marijuana, cocaine, heroin, crack, and tik.

The K9 Unit conducts educational safety and security demonstrations at schools and campuses.

For more information, please contact Hein Prinsloo, K9 Unit Manager:

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Hein Prinsloo and K9 Gringo

Meet K9 Rocky - he is the newest member of the 24/7 Security K9 Unit. He loves children and teaches them how to stay safe.



STRANGER DANGER

K9 Rocky says:

- Bon't talk to strangers.
- 🔁 Stay at least an arm's reach away from strangers.
- 🙁 Never accept gifts or sweets from a stranger.
- Never get in a car with a stranger don't believe them if they tell you your parents sent them to fetch you.
- B Never walk with a stranger to a shop.
- Never go off on your own without telling your parents or a trusted adult where you are going.







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Personal safety begins with an individual's **AWARENESS** of their environment – no one can defend against the danger they couldn't see coming.

Electronic Distractions: Whether it's staring down at your phone or listening to music, electronic devices can seriously impair your ability to be aware of what is going on around you. Only use your devices after you've determined you are in an area or situation where it is safe to do so.

Peripheral Vision: Attempt to focus on something while also observing what's happening at the edges of your vision. This widens your monitoring range for detecting anything out of the ordinary.

Scan: Most people automatically scan new situations or environments but don't always focus on helpful information. Practice looking for exits, barriers, suspicious objects and people, and any other unique elements that could affect your personal safety.

Stop and Pretend: If you feel like you are being followed, either on foot or in a vehicle, stop and turn around, pretending as if you went the wrong way. The person's reaction following you will help you determine if they are indeed a threat. If they stop or reroute to mirror your actions, you can confirm that they are following you intentionally.

Become a Hard Target: Those with malicious intent generally single out individuals that seem meek, vulnerable, or unaware of their surroundings. Body language plays a significant role in how others perceive you - walk tall and act with confidence.

Personal Space: If someone is crowding you, seems suspicious, or displays threatening body language, scan them for subtle signs of violent intent or a hidden weapon.

Senses: Practice engaging all your senses (sight, sound, smell, touch, and taste) to their fullest extent to increase your personal safety. Regularly exercising your senses can make them keener, which can help you avoid unsafe situations, determine threats faster, and pick up on critical information more quickly during emergencies.





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