



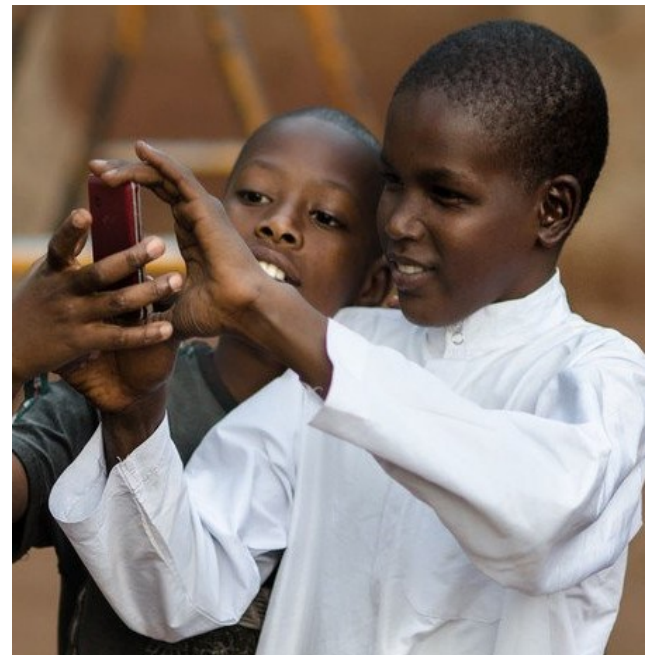
**24/7 Security Services, as a market leader in school and campus security, has a dedicated School and Campus Security Division. The objective of the division is to provide tailor-made security solutions with a host of proactive safety and security initiatives for schools and campuses. We are focussed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

### Cell Phone Safety

Cell phones are a part of our daily lives, but they are also a trigger for criminal activity. Criminals target children - who are not alert – to steal cell phones. Several incidents of cell phone theft have recently been reported. In most instances, the phones were stolen outside school premises and while the children were talking on the phone.

24/7 Security urges teachers and parents to teach children the importance of being alert and aware of their environment. Cell phones must be kept out of sight at all times. Do not walk and talk or text – it makes both children and adults soft targets for phone snatchers.

Social media and texting can be distracting. Criminals use this as an opportunity to snatch the phone – it takes just a few seconds for a person to grab a phone and disappear from the scene.



**The 24/7 Security Teams regularly conduct stand-offs at schools to ensure the safe drop-off and pick-up of learners.**



We welcome feedback and suggestions. Please send your input to [info@24-7security.co.za](mailto:info@24-7security.co.za)  
If you did not receive our Quarter 1 Schools/Campuses Safety Bulletin,  
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### 24/7 Off-site Monitoring

The use of technology is no longer an optional extra in an effective security strategy. Technology in the security space has advanced considerably over the last few years, specifically in the effectiveness of off-site monitoring. Our current success rate is a testament to this advancement.

The intelligent detection software employed behind each camera effectively turns it into a 24/7, 365-day security guard and is ideally suited for school and campus security. Expansive premises, high-risk perimeters, and multiple entrances can be monitored 24/7.

We received several enquiries regarding 24/7 Smart Surveillance – the 24/7 Security off-site monitoring technology – following our last Schools/Campuses Safety Bulletin. Please get in touch with us should you require a no-obligation site assessment or more information on how 24/7 Smart Surveillance can benefit your school or campus. Contact us at [info@24-7security.co.za](mailto:info@24-7security.co.za) or 011 444 2237.

*24/7 Smart Surveillance is powered by 24/7 Security Services.*



[Click here to watch the 24/7 Smart Surveillance video](#)

**“Security is not expensive. It is priceless.” - Jerry Smith**

### Event and Casual Guarding

The 24/7 Security Services Special Events Division has successfully managed several events over the last few months. It was great to be back at the Easter sports festivals following a two-year break. Rugby, hockey, and netball were top of the agenda, followed by several cultural and music events, and matric farewells.

The 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.

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



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## Drugs in Schools

Our children are precious, and we want them to have a safe place to learn and grow. Therefore, schools must be safe and healthy spaces. Drug-taking among young people can make school less safe and healthy for all learners, whether they use drugs or not.



### What do we mean by drugs?

A drug is any substance, synthetic or natural, legal or illegal, that is administered with the intention to bring about a change in the behaviour, emotions and thoughts of a human being.

When we talk about drugs in schools, we refer to:

- Alcohol
- Tobacco
- Cannabis (dagga)
- Heroin
- Cocaine
- Ecstasy
- Other addictive drugs such as Tik, 'Sugars', etc.

### What can we do?

Common signs that a young person might be at risk of drug abuse include:

- Mood swings
- Trouble at school
- Concerns about them among their friends/change of friends
- Unexplained need for money

Schools and communities are responsible for all learners – including those who may be at risk from drug use. They are encouraged to help learners at risk, not ignore them.

### K9 Unit

The 24/7 Security Services K9 Unit conducts narcotics searches of schools, campuses, and boarding houses. Searches are conducted by trained detection dogs and qualified handlers.

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

For more information, please contact us at: [info@24-7security.co.za](mailto:info@24-7security.co.za) or 011 444 2237



K9 Rocky is a proud member of the 24/7 Security K9 Unit. He loves children and teaches them how to stay safe.



K9 Rocky

## PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

### K9 Rocky says:

- 🐾 Always walk on the pavement or path if there is one – never stray onto the road. Walk as far away from the kerb as possible.
- 🐾 When looking to cross a busy road with multiple lanes of traffic, always walk to the nearest zebra crossing or green-man traffic light.
- 🐾 Come to a complete stop just before the kerb. Never step into the road without looking right, left, and right again.
- 🐾 Never cross the road while using their mobile phone or while listening to music on headphones.

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## Child Safety

The safety and wellbeing of children should be a priority for every adult. Unfortunately, we do not live in a perfect world and our children are exposed to various dangers on a daily basis. 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.

24/7 Security Services shares some 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 or where they can disappear in the masses.
- 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.



## Cyber safety

Teach children never to give out personal information, such as name, home address, or telephone numbers, to anyone they don't know through email, social media, or in online chat rooms or bulletin boards. Talk to your children about the online risks of interacting with strangers through the computer and sending notes and pictures into cyberspace.

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