



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.

The Benefits of Security Guarding at Schools and Campuses

Security guards provide staff, learners, and parents with the peace of mind that they are safe and protected from external vulnerabilities. In addition, on-site security is often seen as a valuable asset. Simply having a physical security presence at a school or campus can help provide staff and learners with a reliable first point of contact in the event of an emergency.

Security guards are available to deal with a wide range of issues that educational staff may not be able to handle effectively: from escorting uninvited visitors from the premises and helping to deter substance abuse among learners to traffic and parking management for functions.

Day-to-day Activities

Uniformed guards are a natural focal point for visitors with enquiries. A security team can be helpful in this respect, helping to redirect enquiries away from the busy school reception area. In addition, security guards often establish a positive rapport with staff and pupils; rather than being an unapproachable presence, they can interact positively with learners, addressing any concerns sensitively and efficiently and helping to reinforce the essential values of a school and campus are a safe and secure environment in which to learn.

The Importance of Quality

The role of the private security industry has become increasingly more important over recent years. Often, in-house security staff – those employed directly by schools rather than through a security provider – do not need a licence to operate and may not offer a reputable service. However, licensed security professionals guarantee a high level of service and quality for schools and campuses.

Sexual Offenders Act

24/7 Security Services ensures officers are stringently screened and vetted for schools and campus security, including criminal record and sexual offender clearances.



We welcome feedback and suggestions. Please send your input to info@24-7security.co.za
If you did not receive our Quarter 1 & 2 Schools/Campuses Safety Bulletins,
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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.



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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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.

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



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

For more information, please contact us at 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

CELL PHONE SAFETY

K9 Rocky says:

- 🐾 Keep your cell phone's keypad locked (and the PIN safe and private), so that others can't grab it, unlock it, and use it to get you into trouble when you're not looking.
- 🐾 Do not send texts or capture pictures or videos on your phone that you wouldn't feel comfortable sharing with your parents.
- 🐾 Only give out your phone number to people you know for sure you can trust. Don't respond to texts from numbers and people you don't know.
- 🐾 Keep your cell phone out of sight at all times. Do not walk and talk or text.





Laptop Safety

Many shop owners and staff utilise their laptops and tablets for business purposes and travel with their electronic devices. Laptop theft is on the increase and 24/7 Security Services encourages everyone to follow the below tips to improve laptop security:



Secure Laptop Bag: Place your laptop in a cushioned laptop bag, preferably one that's plain and inconspicuous, so you don't attract unwanted attention. For extra protection, choose a laptop bag with slash-proof fabric and tamper-resistant zippers. If you travel a lot, consider buying a checkpoint-friendly laptop bag that will allow you to stroll through security without taking the laptop out of the bag. Keep the bag on your person or within view at all times.

Get a Security Cable Lock: A cheap anti-theft device, a security cable lock works like a bicycle lock. You loop it around a fixed object, connect it to the laptop and lock it with a combination or a key. If you don't mind spending a little more money, you can buy a high-tech cable lock with a motion sensor system and an alarm. When someone tries to remove the laptop, the movement will trigger the alarm, alerting you of the theft attempt.



Invest in Insurance: A good insurance policy goes a long way. Get a policy that covers theft and loss of personal items. Make sure the coverage will be enough to buy a new laptop and accessories.

Use Antivirus Software: Using unfamiliar Wi-Fi networks can lead to security breaches. Keep your antivirus software updated and running when you are in public spaces. If possible, avoid shopping online or logging on to your online banking website on a public Wi-Fi network. If you have to do it, always check that your Internet browser shows a URL beginning with 'https' and a padlock icon.

Install Theft Recovery Software: Your chances of getting your stolen laptop back are much higher if you have theft recovery software installed on your computer. This software allows you to locate the laptop so you can have the local authorities retrieve it for you. Good theft recovery software works even if the thief has erased all data and installed a new operating system.

Record Laptop Details: Take down the specifications of your laptop and store it in a safe place. The computer make, model and serial number will come in handy if you have to report a theft. Also, take photos of the laptop, focusing on any distinguishing details, such as scratches and dents.

Backup Your Data: The information stored on a laptop can be more valuable than the laptop itself. So, protect yourself from losing your data by backing it up on a hard drive or in cloud storage online.

Data Encryption: You probably have sensitive information stored on your laptop. Copies of your IDs, your home address, contact details of your associates, personal photographs, banking details - all this information can be used for identity theft if it falls into the wrong hands. You can encrypt your data and use



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