

Crime Stoppers Victoria

Schools' Program



About us

Crime Stoppers Victoria is an independent not-for-profit organisation that partners with the community, media and police to encourage people to prevent crime and to anonymously share what they know about unsolved crime or suspicious activity.

Why focus on young people?

Crime Stoppers Victoria is a community organisation dedicated to supporting all Victorians. We recognise that young people can be particularly vulnerable when exposed to criminal or suspicious activity and may be less likely to seek help or report concerns that could protect both themselves and their communities.

How do we support young people?

Building on Crime Stoppers Victoria's trusted crime prevention initiatives, we will engage with young people to raise awareness of the consequences of criminal behaviour, encourage positive participation, and provide opportunities for them to contribute to a safer community.

In-school program

The Crime Stoppers Victoria Community Engagement Team will deliver a presentation to students, focusing on three topics:

- Introduction to Crime Stoppers Victoria and general awareness of crime
- The consequences of carrying a knife
- How to share crime information with Crime Stoppers.

The presentation will be interactive, with a whole group presentation combined with smaller focus groups, allowing young people to express their concerns and insights about staying safe in their community.

Program Format



Overview:

1. Whole Group Session:

- Introduction of Crime Stoppers Victoria
 - About us
 - How to report
 - What you can report
- General crime information

2. Focus Group:

- Knife Crime
 - Watch the Cut The Violence campaign video outlining the impact of knife violence with interviews with a victim, their family, friends, and emergency services.
 - Small group discussion, including information on the consequences and penalties of carrying a knife.

3. Focus Group:

- How to report crime information
 - Show the Share If You Care campaign and discuss the types of crime or suspicious behaviours that a young person can report to Crime Stoppers.
 - In the small group, students will work together to complete an online report, based on a scenario shown in a video.

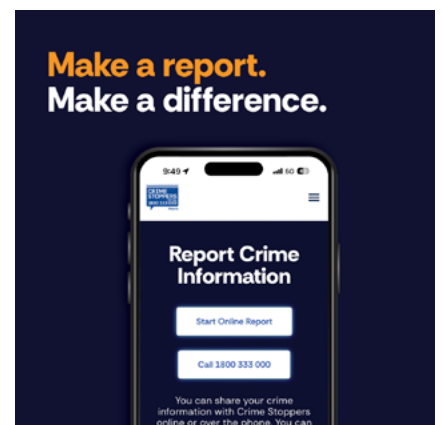
Alternative Focus Group Topics:

- Online grooming
- Criminal behaviour
- Further topics can be developed in consultation with each school

Conclusion:

Student feedback form

- Students to complete at the completion of the program
- Option for a physical form or a digital form



Program Format



Format:

Session length: 45–50 minutes

Target age group: Year 7 and Year 8 students

Group sizes: Up to 30 students.

Two or three Crime Stoppers Victoria staff members will facilitate the program sessions.

There is an option to invite Victoria Police members, if the school feels it is appropriate.
Note: Victoria Police attendance is dependent on member availability.

Facilities:

Room: Open space with chairs and the ability for students to split into two small focus groups.

Other: Access to power, and access to two screens for the focus group sessions (if possible – alternative option available).

Register your interest:

You can register your interest in the Crime Stoppers Victoria Schools' Program [HERE](#)



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