

Responding to Today's School Safety & Security Crisis

HELP ALERT![®]
Wireless Staff Panic System

School Threats & Violence: On the Rise

- Each month about **29,500** teachers are threatened and **17,500** are physically attacked ¹
- Meanwhile, **80,500** students (ages 12-18) are victims of nonfatal violent attacks **every month** ¹
- During the school year **8.1%** of students (grades 9-12) are in a physical fight, **6.9%** are threatened or injured with a weapon, and **19.6%** are bullied on school property ²
- Official statistics may underreport the problem; an anonymous web survey found **80%** of teachers reported being victimized in the previous year ³
- In just the U.S. the total cost to society for teacher victimization has been estimated to exceed **\$2 billion** a year ⁴

The total impact of teacher victimization has been estimated to exceed \$2 billion a year

School Violence Impacts our Entire Society

Educators & Staff ⁴

- Lost days of work and lost wages
- Medical and psychological care
- Increased worker's compensation
- Lost instructional time and decreased productivity
- Student disciplinary proceedings
- Teachers leaving the school or profession prematurely

Students ⁵

- Impaired learning and performance
- Reduced school attendance
- Emotional and psychological problems
- Alcohol and drug use
- Increased aggressive or violent behavior
- Injury and death

(See reverse for references)

How Can We Help You?

For a custom solution that fits your needs, contact us at 800-669-9946 for a free quote or visit www.rft.com.

Solution at Your Fingertips

The Help Alert[®] Panic Alert Solution features mobile and static pendants that allow staff to quickly and quietly summon help. The system silently alerts security and displays the employee's real time location – even when they are on the move.



Small, lightweight mobile pendant allows your staff to discreetly call for help – anytime, anywhere

Meeting a Critical Need in a Growing Market

- **13,500** school districts with **98,500** schools ⁶
- **3.1 million** teachers and **50.1 million** students ⁶
- **School security spending*** expected to reach over **\$900 million** in 2016 ⁷

**Including video surveillance, access-control and mass notification equipment*



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