

Toronto Police Public Safety Notice

The Toronto Police Service at 41 Division, School Liaison Unit, has an announcement about smart phone use and thefts.

When using smart phones or cell phones in public, citizens should be vigilant to protect their property from thefts, such as 'snatch-and-grabs', that are common in transit ways and on streets near school areas.

Points to remember:

Some Iphone and other service providers, now have free tracking applications, that will track the whereabouts of the device. Students are encouraged to register their Iphone or other handheld device, if this application is available.

Some schools areas are especially being targeted; however one should be aware of their surroundings on TTC subways and bus stops.

Travel in groups if possible, in well populated areas or paths.

Be cognizant of your surroundings and traffic hazards while listening to music or playing games on your smartphone.

Hide items when possible.

Use black headphones instead of the white ones that may come with the device.

Be aware of persons taking an interest in your electronic device and that move closer to you, especially on TTC property or on the sidewalk.

Students, who have a cell phone or other property taken by threats or force, are encouraged to call 9-1-1 immediately and report it. If a phone is lost or stolen, it can be reported at (416) 808-2222.

Students are also encouraged to use the School Crime Stoppers Program and report crimes anonymously at (416) 222- TIPS (8477)

Thank You,

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