



## ISBA INSURANCE PLAN

# *Safety Notes*

### **WeTip OFFERED TO ALL ISBA INSURANCE PLAN MEMBERS!**

What is **WeTip's** School Safety Hotline? It is one of your school's best defenses against school violence, vandalism, theft, and arson. The best part is that members of the Idaho School Board Association Insurance Plan can join **WeTip** at no cost to the district. WeTip is wholly funded by the ISBA Insurance Plan's carrier CNA

**WeTip** was founded over three decades ago as an anonymous crime reporting resource for citizens, and a tool to aid law enforcement. This tremendously successful program has dramatically impacted crime and has significantly reduced crime incidents in schools nationwide.

The **WeTip** School Safety Hotline is provided by WeTip Inc., a 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation serving the entire nation, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The identity of the informant student, teachers, and staff callers are kept absolutely anonymous. **WeTip** administers a reward program for all of its members. A basic reward program for up to \$1,000 exists; however, **WeTip** can administer an extraordinary reward as designated by the member.

### **HOW IT WORKS?**

**WeTip** provides an 800 phone number that students, and school district staff can use to report crimes against the school. The callers will contact live operators 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. What they will hear....

- "This is the **WeTip Crime Hotline**, Please do not give your name or identify yourself in anyway."
- The operators will ask questions that have been developed with the help of law enforcement to obtain the maximum amount of information possible.
- Up to 65 questions are asked of informants.
- If there is an arrest and conviction "do you want a reward?"- If so, a 3 part code name is provided.

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### **WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?**

- Tip information is typed into the **WeTip** Crime database
- Each tip is reviewed and disseminated to law enforcement
- Disposition information is received from law enforcement regarding case status
- Courts report back to **WeTip** on Conviction Status
- Rewards up to \$1,000 paid upon arrest and conviction. Rewards paid anonymously

### **WeTip AS A DETERRENT**

An amazing feature of having the “WeTip Program” in our schools and communities is the deterrent factor. Just the idea of the possibility of being reported is enough in most cases to prevent the crime from happening.

In documented cases, incident rates have decreased by 90% when the program is aggressively implemented in targeted areas.

So, how do you establish a WeTip program in your schools? That’s easy, just contact Allan Ranstrom, or Pat Pinkham at Moreton & Company, at 1-800-341-6789