

Indicators of Human Trafficking

Human traffickers use transportation systems to recruit, transport, and exploit their victims in urban, rural, and tribal communities. Victims/traffickers can be of any age, race, ethnicity, sex, ability, nationality, citizenship, or socioeconomic background. Look for signs when operating a school bus, on school grounds, and/or during pick-up and drop-off routes.

When you see multiple indicators of human trafficking, report your suspicion.

If something doesn't seem right, don't dismiss it. Trust your instincts.

For help and support: Text 233733 or Call 888-373-7888

In an emergency call 9-1-1 or contact local authorities.

The National Human Trafficking Hotline provides confidential help regardless of immigration status.

- Unexplained changes in attire, material possessions, personal hygiene, behavior, relationships, attendance, and/or academic performance.
- New signs of fatigue, substance use, irritability, mood swings, panic, or shame.
- Comments suggesting a student is exchanging sex for money, material items, shelter, etc.
- Comments indicating a student formed an inappropriate relationship online, has an older romantic partner, or is making a quota.

Do not attempt to confront a suspected trafficker or engage with a victim.

