Firearms Safety Rules for Families

What do you do when you see a gun?



Stop

If you see a gun, stop what you are doing.



Don't Touch

Never touch a gun that you find or see.



Leave The Area

Quickly leave the area; do not take a gun from another child or attempt to stop anyone from using a gun.



Tell An Adult

Tell an adult about the gun you have seen.



All firearms should be treated as if they are real and loaded at all times.

Safely Storing Firearms

Always:

- · Store firearms unloaded.
- Keep firearms in a locking storage container, such as a gun safe.
- Use a firearm safety device, which is a locking mechanism designed to prevent a firearm from being loaded or fired, but does not stop it from being handled or stolen.
- Store ammunition separately in a locking container.

Never:

- Store your firearm where it is visible.
- Store your firearm in a bedside table, under a mattress or pillow, or on a closet shelf.



Take extra precautions in protecting the key or combination for your firearms storage container.

Per TCA Code Annotated 49-6-1016(b), Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, each LEA and public charter school shall annually provide students with age-appropriate and grade-appropriate instruction on firearm safety. The instruction must begin with the earliest appropriate grade, as determined by the departments under subsection (a), and must continue in each subsequent grade through grade twelve (12).