Hey Mike. On my way to drop off Junior. Thank you so much for the last minute help.

BTW, I know you have a gun. Is it locked at home? It freaks me out that the kids might find it.

Of course I have it in a gun safe! Don’t worry!

You got it! See you soon.

I figured. Thanks!

Visit besmartforkids.org to learn more and to get you and your community involved.

It’s good to be sure

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It’s a shocking fact, but there are more. Every year, **700 kids** die by suicide with a gun. And nearly **350 children** shoot themselves, or someone else, unintentionally. **76%** of the guns used by children in school shootings were from a **parent’s or relative’s home**. Almost **25%** of them are taken from their vehicles.

More than **500,000 guns** are stolen every year. In 2020, more than half of gun thefts were from cars.

**Secure storage prevents tragedies**

The best way to be sure your kids can’t access firearms in your household is to store them securely. **There are plenty of options for all budgets**—from a full-size gun safe to a cable lock, and additional options for secure storage in vehicles.

**Talking about secure firearms protects your loved ones wherever they are**

You want your kids safe from guns everywhere they go, including other homes. Ask other adults if their firearms are secure, and talk to your friends and family about the importance of secure storage.

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**About Be SMART**

Be SMART is a national program dedicated to protecting kids by raising awareness about the importance of secure gun storage. Here’s how to Be SMART and protect your family:

- **Secure** all guns in your home and vehicles
- **Model** responsible behavior around guns
- **Ask** about unsecured guns in other homes and vehicles
- **Recognize** the role of guns in suicide
- **Tell** your friends and neighbors to be SMART

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Statistics from everytownresearch.org