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**Deputy Sheriff Justice**, is a law enforcement mascot designed by the Philadelphia Sheriff's Office to engage young people on the importance of safety awareness, resolving disagreements nonviolently and building self-esteem.

## **PURPOSE**

Through classroom interaction, **Deputy Sheriff Justice** demonstrates the importance of notifying an adult immediately when that child feels threatened or bullied. In addition, Deputy Sheriff Justice explains what to do if a child finds a gun or a weapon in the home or at school.

## **BACKGROUND**

According to the **Pennsylvania Department of Health** in 2019, suicide was the second leading cause of death among adolescents aged 10 - 19 in the U.S. while non-fatal shootings involving kids under the age of 15 had risen to 64%. In Philadelphia County, approximately 3 suicide deaths occur every week.



## **OUR COMMUNTY SERVICES**

The Philadelphia Sheriff's Office under the leadership of **Sheriff Rochelle Bilal** is committed to serving the citizens of Philadelphia. In addition to our continued duties of protecting the courts, serving court-ordered warrants and conducting mortgage and tax sheriff sales, Sheriff Rochelle Bilal's administration is especially dedicated to helping children.

Listed below are a few of the Philadelphia Sheriff's Office signature community events for youth:

- Free Toy/Coat and School Supply Giveaways throughout the city;
- Annual Spooky Bus Tour and;
- Educational Outreach School Tour to Empower Youth while building trust with law enforcement.

For information or to schedule **Deputy Sheriff Justice** for a community event and all community services provided by the **Philadelphia Sheriff's Office** please contact: **Community Services Outreach** at **phillysheriff.com** or call **215-686-3560**