

# NEW YORK CITY STUDENT SAFETY ACT 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER 2018 REPORTING JULY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2018



An analysis of the Student Safety Act data from the third quarter of 2018 shows a small, 1.7% decrease in total NYPD interventions in New York City schools compared to the same period in 2017 – from 951 interventions to 935. The majority of reported interventions continues to take the form of “mitigations,” where police refer incidents to school disciplinary procedures rather than being processed as an arrest or summons. However, the proportion of mitigations did decrease slightly, from 48% of all incidents to 46%, indicating that while total reported incidents did decrease, punitive responses in the form of arrests, summonses, child in crisis incidents, and juvenile reports increased, from 488 to 499 – a 2.3% growth.

## NYPD Interventions in Schools

|                 | Q3<br>2018 | Q3<br>2017 | Change     | Percent<br>Change |
|-----------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------|
| Arrested        | 95         | 106        | -11        | -10.4%            |
| Summons         | 78         | 84         | -6         | -7.1%             |
| Child in Crisis | 218        | 224        | -6         | -2.7%             |
| Juvenile Report | 108        | 74         | +34        | +45.9%            |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>499</b> | <b>488</b> | <b>+11</b> | <b>+2.3%</b>      |

- In 2018, there were 139 uses of metal handcuffs and 14 uses of force reported during a police intervention, while in 2017 there were 148 and 11 respectively.
- Almost 54% of incidents occurred in schools with scanning equipment, whether full-time metal detector use, unannounced or random scanning.
- 391 unique sites are listed in the data, including individual schools, school campuses, suspension hearing centers, and district offices.

## Department of Education Student Population

|                 | 2018  | 2017  |
|-----------------|-------|-------|
| Black Students  | 26.0% | 26.5% |
| Latinx Students | 40.5% | 40.4% |
| White Students  | 15.0% | 14.9% |

## School-Based Arrests

|                 | Q2 2018 |       | Q2 2017 |       |
|-----------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| Black Students  | 61      | 64.2% | 60      | 56.6% |
| Latinx Students | 29      | 30.5% | 38      | 35.8% |
| White Students  | 4       | 4.2%  | 10      | 9.4%  |

- 44.2% of all arrests were carried out by patrol officers and 26.3% by the detective bureau, while 21.1% of all arrests were carried out by School Safety Agents and 8.4% were carried out by the Uniformed Task Force of the School Safety Division.
- 33.7% of arrests were charges of assault (62.5% of all assaults were misdemeanors), while 20.0% of arrests were charges of robbery.
- In 2018, 44.2% of all arrests occurred in response to incidents that happened outside of schools, while in 2017 that number was 38.7%.

## School-Based Summonses

|                 | Q2 2018 |       | Q2 2017 |       |
|-----------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| Black Students  | 45      | 57.7% | 47      | 56.0% |
| Latinx Students | 29      | 37.2% | 31      | 36.9% |
| White Students  | 0       | 0.0%  | 5       | 6.0%  |

- 44.9% of all summonses were distributed by NYPD patrol officers, while 53.8% were carried out by the School Safety Division of the NYPD.
- 37.2% of all summonses were given for possession of a knife, while 23.1% of summonses were given for possession of marijuana.

## School-Based “Child in Crisis” Incidents

As defined by the NYPD, “child in crisis” describes a student who is removed from school to the hospital for psychological evaluation due to perceived emotional distress.

|                 | Q2 2018 |       | Q2 2017 |       |
|-----------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| Black Students  | 105     | 48.2% | 117     | 52.2% |
| Latinx Students | 83      | 38.1% | 79      | 35.3% |
| White Students  | 12      | 5.5%  | 10      | 4.5%  |

- In 2018, 19% of incidents involved children under 10 years old; in 2017, 22.7% of incidents involved children under 10 years old.
- 19 incidents (9%) involved restraints; in 2017, 28 incidents (13%) involved restraints.

## Juvenile Reports in Schools

|                 | Q2 2018 |       | Q2 2017 |       |
|-----------------|---------|-------|---------|-------|
| Black Students  | 58      | 53.7% | 41      | 55.4% |
| Latinx Students | 44      | 40.7% | 25      | 33.8% |
| White Students  | 4       | 3.7%  | 6       | 8.1%  |

- 64.8% of all juvenile reports were distributed by the School Safety Division of the NYPD, while 30.6% were carried out by Patrol Officers.
- 59% were classified as violations, while 41% were considered misdemeanors.
- 15% of all juvenile reports included the use of metal handcuffs.