



## **John Tibbetts**

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**Issue** The issue I looked into was school safety. This issue has affected me personally, as Colleen Ritzer, a teacher at the school I attend (Danvers High School) was murdered in October of 2013. This project gave me the opportunity to learn more about what we can do to prevent acts of school violence, and to create the safest schools possible.

**Project Description** My key message was that our society needs to do the best it can to make schools safe learning environments, and I addressed the fact that school violence is an issue that has affected many communities. Online research was a major part of completing this project, and my teacher and I contacted our local State Representative, Ted Speliotis, to inform him of our project and the message I was trying to convey.

**Project Outcome** I completed a pamphlet that outlined different ways to address the issue of school violence. I hope that my project can educate others about this extremely important issue.

**Request** I would like my Senator or Representative to give me their opinions on my report. I would also like to be informed of what my Senator or Representative has done to address the issue of school violence, and what, if anything, they plan on doing in the future about this issue.