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REPORTED INCIDENTS/ACTS OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE IN NORTH CAROLINA: 2006-2007

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction's **Annual Report on School Crime and Violence: 2006-2007** contains information reflecting incidents/acts of school violence in the state. North Carolina has been collecting data concerning incidents/acts of school violence since the 1993-1994 school year. In 1993, the North Carolina General Assembly and the State Board of Education required the reporting of such incidents/acts in fourteen categories. Beginning in 2001-2002, three additional categories were added. The following is a complete list of categories for the 2006-2007 report:

- Assault resulting in serious injury
- Assault involving use of a weapon
- Assault on school personnel not resulting in serious injury
- Bomb threat
- Burning of school building
- Death by other than natural causes
- Kidnapping
- Possession of alcoholic beverage
- Possession of controlled substance in violation of law
- Possession of a firearm or powerful explosives
- Possession of a weapon excluding firearms and powerful explosives
- Rape
- Robbery with a dangerous weapon
- Robbery without a dangerous weapon
- Sexual assault not involving rape or sexual offense
- Sexual offense
- Taking indecent liberties with a minor

The **Annual Report on School Crime and Violence: 2006-2007** highlights the following:

- In 2006-2007, 11,013 incidents/acts of school violence were reported to have occurred on North Carolina school property, an increase of 54 incidents/acts or 0.5% from 2005-2006
- There were 7.77 incidents/acts of school violence per 1,000 students reported in 2006-2007; this is a decrease from 7.90 incidents/acts of school violence per 1,000 students reported in 2005-2006
- The top three reported incidents/acts of school violence constituted 85% of the total number of reported acts:
 - 4,339 reported incidents/acts involving possession of a controlled substance in violation of law
 - 3,925 reported incidents/acts involving possession of a weapon excluding firearms and powerful explosives
 - 1,081 reported incidents/acts involving possession of an alcoholic beverage
- The three largest decreases in reported incidents/acts of school violence from 2005-2006 to 2006-2007 were:
 - possession of controlled substance in violation of law from 4,427 to 4,339, a decrease of 88 incidents
 - assault involving use of a weapon from 111 to 94, a decrease of 17 incidents
 - assault resulting in serious injury from 128 to 122, a decrease of 6 incidents
- The following categories displayed the greatest percent increase in reported incidents/acts of school violence:
 - rape from 1 to 2 (+ 100%)
 - kidnapping from 2 to 3 (+ 50%)
 - sexual offense from 62 to 78 (+ 25.8%)