SCHOOL SAFETY MAPPING

Bullying is a serious concern in U.S. schools. While many studies focus on the social, emotional, and psychological considerations of bullying, exploring the link between this and the location of bullying provides a more comprehensive framework for understanding and addressing bullying within schools. This resource focuses on the practice of school safety mapping that engages students in identifying "hot spots" for bullying and how schools can use this information in their efforts to eliminate and prevent this behavior.

https://denver.cbslocal.com/2018/02/16/school-safety-high-tech/

HOT SPOT PROCESS
1. Print out a map of the school.
2. Have students identify areas in the building where they feel unsafe. Students should include periods and short descriptions of what they have observed.
3. Leadership and security teams should analyze the data to identify hot spots in the building.
4. The team should then create an action plan to address hot spots identified by students.
5. The action plan should be communicated to students and evaluated throughout the year.

Research
"Hotspots" for Bullying: Exploring the Role of Environment in School Violence

More Resources
STUDENTS MAP BULLY ZONES TO CREATE A SAFER SCHOOL
(VIDEO)