

Seymour schools, police partner with FBI to provide Child ID kits

SEYMOUR - Seymour Public Schools Security Officers and the police department have partnered with the Federal Bureau of Investigation to offer families two ways to document important information about their children.

Every year, hundreds of thousands of children in the U.S. are reported “missing.” Every second counts when trying to locate a missing child.

Having some simple information to give authorities when a child goes missing can be so important when identifying and locating a child.

Being prepared for this type of emergency with a “Child Identification Kit” is a simple way to keep important information about a child all in one place. This information can also be stored on a mobile device with the new “FBI ID Child” mobile device application available now.

This week free “Child Identification Kits” have been handed out to Seymour students at all Seymour schools to bring home to their parents. Day care centers in Seymour will also receive these free child identification kits and “FBI ID Child” mobile device application information.



Three thousand kits were created to give out to the community.

Parents are encouraged to take a moment to review the materials in the kit and information on the “FBI ID Child” mobile device application to familiarize themselves with what information is needed about their child.

Once completed the kit should be put in a safe place where it can be accessed if it is needed.

It is also important to update the kit and “FBI Child ID” mobile device application information yearly with current photographs and current video clips of their child.

The kits provide parents/guardians the tools and instructions to take fingerprints, DNA samples, hair samples and the ability to record a range of essential information authorities may need to locate a missing child. The kits and “FBI Child ID” application can be used for all ages. This program is even important for parents to keep for students in college, senior

citizens, or family with health issues who may be apt to going missing.

The [Valley Community Foundation](#), [Seymour Lions Club](#), and [Ever Ready Press](#) of Ansonia sponsored the program.

If a parent or guardian did not receive a free kit and would like one, they may contact Security Director Rich Kearns at: rkearns@seymourschools.org, School Resource Officer Corey Tomasella at: ctomasella@seymourpolice.org or School Resource Officer Pat Dempsey: pdempsey@seymourpolice.org

This is a press release from Rich Kearns, Seymour Schools’ security director.



Seymour Culture and Arts plants Spring ‘flowers’ downtown



The seasonal signs of Spring are sprouting in downtown Seymour. These flowers let us know that every year we awaken to warmer days and brilliant colors that never fail to return, especially after the dark Covid Winter we’ve all experienced. Thanks go to Seymour Culture and Arts for providing proof that Spring has arisen!



All Children of all ages welcomed while supplies last

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