

To make our siblings future better
We need to start sooner or later
Protecting your young ones from the danger
The violence must be reduced in figures
To go to sleep at night and not worry
We must speak out in our community
To make life brighter
We need to unite ourselves together
All this we want and have yet to get
If we don't make a stand against violence we
would soon regret
Set an example always that violence doesn't solve
our problems
Maintain balance and respect for one another
Live your lives with peace and justice
Open your eyes to the reality
So we can save our communities

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*Put A Hand To End
Crime*



STUDENTS FOR A VIOLENCE-FREE SPACE

VIOLENCE-FREE ZONE

A violent free zone includes the following:

- **Declaring your home, school and community a violent free zone. Displaying the violent free zone sign and encouraging people to do the right thing.**
- **Having respect for yourself as well as others.**
- **Maintaining responsibility for your actions.**
- **Ensuring your school, home and community are free of weapons.**



DO YOU NEED A VIOLENCE-FREE ZONE?

Yes

- **To study without fear of being distracted.**
- **Schools should be places where students are able to learn free from violence.**
- **Schools should be safe and child-friendly (UNICEF 2006)**
- **Students can learn to live their lives in non-violent ways.**



HOW DO WE CREATE A VIOLENCE FREE ZONE

- **Create a place where students can express themselves without fear of being ill-treated**
- **Facilitating programs such as drama, choirs and open forums for speeches**
- **Increased parental involvement**
- **Positive communication between adults, students or peers with the confidence that discussions will be kept confidential**
- **Ensure that schools have set rules for staff and students, banning violence and showing how to behave in a non-violent way. (UNICEF 2006)**
- **Ensure that schools teach children about child rights and the UN Convention on the Rights of the child. (UNICEF 2006)**
- **The way teaching is done should in no way encourage anyone to be violent. (UNICEF 2006)**