



National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere

- **SAVE** is a peer to peer organization that strives to increase youth involvement in their own safety efforts. **SAVE** is a unique and powerful approach to youth safety because it recognizes the role that young people can take in making schools and communities safer. **SAVE** students are providing positive peer influences in youth safety efforts.
- **SAVE's** mission is to decrease the potential for violence in schools and communities by promoting meaningful student involvement, education and service opportunities in efforts to provide safer environments for youth.
- **SAVE:**
 - **engages** students in meaningful violence prevention and safety efforts within their school and community.
 - **empowers** youth with knowledge and skills necessary to provide service to their community and school.
 - **encourages** positive peer influences within the school and community through violence prevention and safety efforts.
 - **educates** students about the effects and consequences of violence as well as safe activities for students, parents, and the community.
- **SAVE** was started by students in Charlotte, NC in 1989 after the tragic death of a classmate who was trying to break up a fight at an off-campus party. A group of students who did not want this death to be "just another statistic" took action and created a violence prevention program.
- **SAVE** members take the lead in planning chapter activities by using the **3 SAVE Essential Elements** of conducting **crime prevention** and **conflict management** activities, as well as providing meaningful **service through projects** in schools and communities. **SAVE** chapters also plan safety rallies and safety awareness campaigns, engage in peer mentoring to younger students, and conduct fun and educational meetings.
- **SAVE** has evolved into a national association with chapters in elementary, middle, high schools, colleges and community agencies nationwide. **SAVE** has over 200,000 students involved.

For more ideas, information, and highlights from other **SAVE** chapters, visit **SAVE** online at www.nationalsave.org or call toll-free 866-343-SAVE