

**Rehabilitation Assistance with our
Community Partners:**

Anger Management
Community Service
Conflict Resolution Group
Counseling Sessions
Drug Treatment Services
Educational Liaison Consultation
Employment Readiness Group
Meditation
Mental Health Assessments
Motivating Youth 101
Peacemaking
Quality of Life Group
Young New Yorkers Program
Youth Court

Examples of Programs Utilized:

ABS Behavioral Health
Acacia Network
Brooklyn Justice Initiatives
Camelot
Canarsie AWARE
Cases
Center for Community Alternatives
Esperanza
Exhalt
Project Re-Direct
The Brownsville Leadership Project
The Door
The Fortune Society
The New York Peace Institute
Youth and Congregations Partnership

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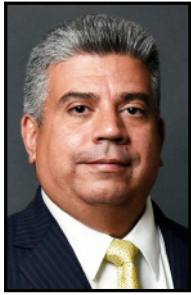
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The School Advocacy Bureau strives to keep schools safe through prevention, education and prosecution. This unit also addresses the unique needs of juveniles and adolescents by identifying those offenders who are at risk for re-offending and offering them alternatives to incarceration that can help set them on the right path. Our office engages communities as partners in justice and strives to divert youth from the criminal justice system. We seek to reduce recidivism among these youth, thereby making Brooklyn, and schools, safer.

Thank you,
Eric Gonzalez
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The School Advocacy Bureau (SAB) was established in 1997 with the specific aim of providing special attention to one of the most at risk communities in Brooklyn; students. Its goal is to establish and maintain a safe educational environment by creating better and open lines of communication between educators, students and law enforcement. By achieving this goal, school law enforcement agents become involved earlier in criminal investigations thus relieving the school administrators from this burden and allowing them to focus on their primary role as educators. This approach has also greatly improved the prosecution of cases by making sure all legal protocols are followed and maintained.

To that effect, the School Advocacy Bureau provides three primary functions: **Prevention, Education and Prosecution.**

The key to successful prosecution is to **prevent crime within schools from happening in the first place.** This is a main objection for the School Advocacy Bureau and to that end the Bureau's supervisors conduct various crime prevention workshops throughout the Brooklyn school system from 7th grade on up through high school. These workshops handle a multitude of issues including peer pressure, anti-bullying, how to make wise choices as well as issues relating to gangs within the schools and are effective for all students regardless of grade point average or their goals in life. SAB participates in Career Days, Law Days and Law Week programs and judges various Mock trial competitions throughout Brooklyn.

The second function of the School Advocacy Bureau is education. **SAB performs awareness workshops** in conjunction with the District Attorney's other bureaus and units for parents and school administrators in an effort to educate the school community. SAB also conducts ongoing training for members of the NYPD's uniformed task force bureau and NYPD school safety agents. Educating and working together with properly trained NYPD officers within the schools is essential in not only creating a safe educational environment but in helping to foster the relationship between students and police officers and to make sure that all proper and legal protocols are followed when a crime has occurred.

The last function of the School Advocacy Bureau is prosecution. The bureau is responsible for **handling both felony and misdemeanor prosecution of school related crimes.** This includes not only crimes against students and school staff that happen on school campuses but also crimes that occur going to and from school. Additionally, SAB is responsible for investigating and prosecuting designated Juvenile Offender and Adolescent Offender crimes. SAB is also responsible for the implementation of Raise the Age laws.

To learn more about arranging an SAB training or workshop for your school, or about any of the bureau's services, call 718-250-2051.