WASHINGTON – The Office of Justice Programs’ National Institute of Justice today published an article that discusses current ongoing data collection efforts regarding school violence; provides insight into their methodologies; and examines emerging trends. The article also highlights the limitations and gaps in the current data, underlining the rationale behind a new, NIJ-funded school shooting database designed to help answer why school shootings have been increasing in recent years despite the general trend toward less school violence.

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