



Illinois State Police Director's Office of Firearms Safety Clear and Present Danger Reporting Instructions for Law Enforcement Officials and School Administrators

Clear and Present Danger reporting is required by law enforcement officials, school administrators, and medical professionals when they determine a student or other person poses a Clear and Present Danger to themselves or others.

Clear and Present Danger is defined by statute as a person who: (1) communicates a serious threat of physical violence against a reasonably identifiable victim or poses a clear and imminent risk of serious physical injury to himself, herself, or another person as determined by a physician, clinical psychologist, or qualified examiner; or (2) demonstrates threatening physical or verbal behavior, such as violent, suicidal, or assaultive threats, actions, or other behavior, as determined by a physician, clinical psychologist, qualified examiner, school administrator, or law enforcement official.

The Illinois State Police Law Enforcement Portal shall be used by law enforcement officials and school administrators to report individuals determined to pose a Clear and Present Danger pursuant to the Firearms Owners Identification Card Act (430 ILCS 65/8.1) and Illinois Administrative Code (Title 20 Section 1230.120). The law enforcement official or school administrator shall, **within 24 hours** of making the determination, notify the Illinois State Police Office of Firearms Safety via a submission through the ISP Law Enforcement Portal. This reporting duty is separate from any requests for assistance made to a law enforcement agency. **For immediate police assistance, school administrators must still contact their local law enforcement agency or call 911.**

Who Must Report Pursuant to 430 ILCS 65/8.1(d)(2) and 430 ILCS 66/105?

- Law enforcement Officials
- School Administrators – principals and chief administrative officers (or their designees) of public and private: elementary and secondary schools, community colleges, colleges, and universities.

When Should I Report?

- When a school administrator or law enforcement official determines that a person demonstrates threatening physical or verbal behavior such as violent, suicidal, or assaultive threats, actions, or other behavior such that the person is posing a clear and present danger to themselves or others, they should report. (430 ILCS65/1.1)

How Do I Report?

- The reporting law enforcement official, school administrator, or their designee, must have an account with the Illinois State Police (ISP) Law Enforcement portal to report. If your account is not set up, contact the Office of Firearms Safety at: ISP.OfficeofFirearmsSafety@illinois.gov to receive instructions on how to sign up, or to answer any questions or confirm receipt of a submission.
- Within 24 hours of the school administrator or law enforcement official making the determination that a person poses a clear and present danger to himself, herself, or to others, they shall notify the ISP that the person poses a clear and present danger.
- All Clear and Present Danger reports must be made through the Law Enforcement Portal: IL Law Enforcement Agency Portal (cclisp.com)
- The reporter must login to the Portal to report the threatening behavior, then follow the prompts in the portal by completing each section in its entirety, including checking all boxes that pertain to the incident/individual, and attaching any relevant reports. All boxes describing the specific behaviors and statements leading to the determination should be appropriately checked, and the narrative section should include all relevant details, including dates and times of occurrence, as well as the names and contact information of any witnesses. Additional supporting documentation should be referenced in the narrative section and submitted with the form.
- If you need emergency assistance related to Clear and Present Danger Reporting only from the Office of Firearms Safety after normal business hours, contact the Illinois State Police, Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center at 877-455-7842.

What Happens After I Submit a Clear and Present Danger Report?

- Once a Clear and Present Danger determination is reported through the portal, you can check its status in the portal.
- If the person was a FOID Card holder, an Analyst from the Office of Firearm Safety will reach out to you and let you know whether the FOID holder is revoked, denied, or will remain valid.
- If the subject of the request was not a FOID Card holder, you will not receive additional notifications, unless additional information is needed to process your request. However, you can check the status of your submission within your portal account.

What Else Should I Know?

- This reporting process is intended to prevent individuals determined to pose a Clear and Present Danger from having access to firearms or firearm ammunition by revoking the individual's FOID Card or denying their FOID Card application.
- Clear and Present Danger reporting shall be made consistent with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (34 CFR § 99.36) to assist the Illinois State Police with protecting the health and safety of the public by denying persons, who present a Clear and Present Danger, from having lawful access to weapons and ammunition.
- School administrators should consider consulting with their legal counsel prior to adopting Clear and Present Danger reporting policies.
- The physician, clinical psychologist, qualified examiner, law enforcement official, or school administrator making the determination and his or her employer shall not be held criminally, civilly, or professionally liable for making or not making the notification required under this subsection, except for willful or wanton misconduct. (430 ILCS 65/8.1)