



# TOOLKIT FOR COLLECTING AND ANALYZING DATA ON ATTACKS ON EDUCATION

## Why is a *Toolkit* needed?

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In conflicts around the world, students, teachers, schools, and universities are under attack. [The Safe Schools Declaration](#) is an inter-governmental political commitment to protect education during armed conflict, including by collecting reliable data, reporting on attacks on education, investigating violations, and holding perpetrators to account. **The *Toolkit for Collecting and Analyzing Data on Attacks on Education* helps governments, and organizations supporting them, to meet those commitments by measuring the incidence and impact of:**

- **attacks on schools;**
- **attacks on students and teachers;**
- **child recruitment at, or on the way to or from, school;**
- **sexual violence at, or on the way to or from, school or university;**
- **attacks on higher education; and**
- **military use of schools and universities.**

Attacks on education are often under-reported, leaving a critical gap in information about their prevalence and the number of learners and educators killed, harmed, or out-of-school as a result. To address this gap, GCPEA drew on a decade's experience researching attacks and expertise from specialists in the field to develop this comprehensive *Toolkit*.

## What is the *Toolkit*?

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The *Toolkit* provides guidance to governments, civil society organizations, the United Nations, and humanitarian and development agencies on collecting and analyzing data to better understand and address the scope and impact of attacks on education. The tools enable partners to:

- build or strengthen monitoring systems and enhance coordination across sectors so that fewer attacks go unnoticed;
- collect robust data and analyze and report on the impacts of attacks and military use;
- harmonize definitions of attacks on education and military use across contexts; and
- develop more effective gender-responsive attack prevention and mitigation plans.

The *Toolkit* can be used to improve data collection and analysis in any context where attacks on education and the military use of schools and universities occur. Tools will be available in several languages.

## What are the tools in the *Toolkit*?

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The *Toolkit* includes:

- Guidance on Collecting, Analyzing, and Reporting Data
- Indicators on Attacks on Education
- Codebook with definitions of attacks and instructions for data entry
- Data Template for recording and analyzing incidents of attacks

Tools are adjustable to partners' needs, goals, and resources, as well as the specific attacks occurring in their context.

Visit [GCPEA's website](#) to learn more about the *Toolkit* and access the tools. GCPEA researchers are available to support *Toolkit* users with data collection or analyses at [gcpea@protectingeducation.org](mailto:gcpea@protectingeducation.org)

The [Global Coalition to Protect Education from Attack](#) (GCPEA) is a unique interagency organization that aims to end attacks on education in situations of armed conflict. The *Toolkit* is generously supported by: Education Cannot Wait, the Government of Norway, UNICEF, UNESCO, and an anonymous donor.

# How the *Toolkit* helps protect education from attack

