



**PART
IV**

COLLABORATIVE APPROACHES



Many problems in schools that impact on students can often be effectively addressed by collaborative, or "comprehensive", approaches to school safety and security. Such approaches involve a broad range of individuals or groups both inside and outside the school, a strategic plan and a range of programmes to promote safety.

This section explores the theoretical underpinnings of this approach and presents a number of case studies. The following questions are addressed:

- How can key partners be identified when promoting collaborative approaches to school safety?
- How have national, regional and local governments worked with schools to develop effective programmes and policy commitments? Are governments training their administrators and school inspectors in school safety education?
- How can raising local awareness and improving communication between schools and all members of a community improve school safety and security?