

# Acquaintance RAPE FACTS

## Definition

Acquaintance Rape is a sex crime committed by someone who knows the victim. The offender could be a friend, classmate, relative, co-worker. Acquaintance rape includes forced, manipulated or coerced sexual contact.

## Statistics

- 1 in 4 female students at college have been victims of rape or attempted rape.
- 11% of high school girls report being victims of forced sexual intercourse.
- 77% of rape victims were known to their attackers.
- 90% of acquaintance rape victims did not report the attack to police.
- 50% of acquaintance rapes involve alcohol consumption by the offender, victim or both.

## Remember

Acquaintance rape is never the victim's fault. It doesn't matter where the victim was or what she was wearing. Rape is always the fault of the offender.

## Help is Available

Rape crisis centers are available 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week, 365-days-a-year. All services are free and confidential. Call a rape crisis center hotline for help.

*Source: By the Numbers: Sexual Violence Statistics*

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