

Asking Saves Kids

Ask one question, it might save your child's life.

ASK (Asking Saves Kids) Day is a reminder to all parents and caregivers to ask if there is a firearm inside the home where kids will be playing and if it's stored, locked and unloaded. It's also a reminder to caregivers to secure their own firearms within their home.



Make sure all guns are stored unloaded and locked, ideally in a gun safe with ammunition locked separately.

Risks by the numbers:

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In the U.S., gun-related injuries are the leading cause of death for kids and teens.

1 in 3

homes with children have guns, and most know where they are located.

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children under the age of 18 are killed by guns each day.

On average, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta sees **2 firearm injuries every week.**

If you are struggling with how to ASK, here are some tips:

- ✓ Bring up your home first, and they'll likely respond: *"Just so you know, we don't have any guns or pets in our home."*
- ✓ Weave the question in with other safety questions such as, *"Will they be around water? Will they be riding bikes? Is there an unlocked gun in the house?"*
- ✓ Embrace the awkwardness: *"I know this may be awkward, but I have to know: Is there an unlocked gun in your home?"*



For more information on gun safety, visit [Strong4Life.com/ask](https://www.strong4life.com/ask).