

# Is there a bat in your school?

Here's what you need to know



## 1 Don't panic

Bats usually just want to be left alone. You cannot get rabies from just seeing a bat or being in a room with one.

## 2 Never touch a bat or any other wild animal

If you try to touch a bat, it might bite you in self-defense.

A bat that is on the floor or cannot fly is more likely than other bats to have rabies.



## 3 Quickly tell a teacher or school official

The safest thing you can do after you find a bat is to tell a teacher.

Don't approach it or touch it. Don't pet it, catch it, comfort it, kick it aside, or try to shoo it away.

Stay away from it and contact an adult.



**If you are bitten** or come in direct contact with a bat, don't wait. Tell an adult immediately and see a doctor. The treatment after a bite is simple and effective.

Scan for more information about rabies



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