

Warrior Pride
The End of Bullying
I Believe ...

Believe in yourself and others

Priest River Junior High

Fall 2017

Goals of presentation

- To create a culture at PRJH of
 - SAFETY
 - KINDESS
 - RESPECT
 - REPSONSIBILITY

Where all students are treated well and have a feeling of belonging.

WBCSD Policy 3295

- Students attending schools in this district are prohibited from engaging in the following behaviors:
 - 1. Physical abuse against a student, including but not limited to, hitting, pushing, tripping, kicking, or restraining another's movements; sexual misconduct; causing damage to another's clothing or possessions; and taking another's belongings.
 - 2. Verbal comments or threats against a student, including but not limited to, name calling, threatening, sexual comments, taunting, and malicious teasing.
 - 3. Psychological abuse against a student, including but not limited to, spreading harmful or inappropriate rumors regarding another, drawing inappropriate pictures, or writing inappropriate statements regarding another, and intentionally excluding another from groups, or similar activities.

Idaho State Law HB 246

- No student or minor present on school property or at school activities shall intentionally commit, or conspire to commit, an act of harassment, intimidation or bullying against another student.
- An act of harassment, intimidation or bullying may also be committed through the use of a landline, car phone or wireless telephone or through the use of data or computer software that is accessed through a computer, computer system, or computer network.
- A student who personally violates any provision of this section may be guilty of an infraction.

What is targeting others and harassment?

- Actions which have a negative, intimidating effect physically, socially or psychologically on others.
- It may be a repeated set of behaviors or a one time incident.
- Targeting others is not a conflict, but abuse of another person.

Some examples of targeting others

- Hitting, kicking, pushing, blocking the path of another, etc.
- Social media posts, phone calls or internet messages which are unwanted or derogatory, etc.
- Insults, obscene notes or pictures
- Indirect targeting of others – rumors, anonymous notes, intentional exclusion
- Any action that creates a hostile environment for another person

PRJH Bullying Statistics 2015-2016

- During the 2015-2016 school year these were the incidents reported to Ms. Johnson:
 - 18 incidents of bullying by 7th graders
 - 11 of those were a first offense by boys, 3 of them were a first offense by girls, 4 of them were a second offense by boys
 - 34 incidents of bullying by 8th graders
 - 19 of those were a first offense by boys, 1 of them was a first offense by girls, 14 of them were a second offense by boys

**Remember that these were just incidents that were reported to the office, or that an adult found out about.

PRJH Bullying Statistics 2016-17

- During the 2016-17 school year these were the incidents reported to Ms. Johnson:
 - 14 incidents of bullying by 7th graders
 - 6 of those were a first offense by boys, 3 of them were a first offense by girls, 5 of them were a second offense by boys 0 by girls
 - 6 incidents of bullying by 8th graders
 - 6 of those were a first offense by boys, 0 of them was a first offense by girls, 0 of them were a second offense by boys

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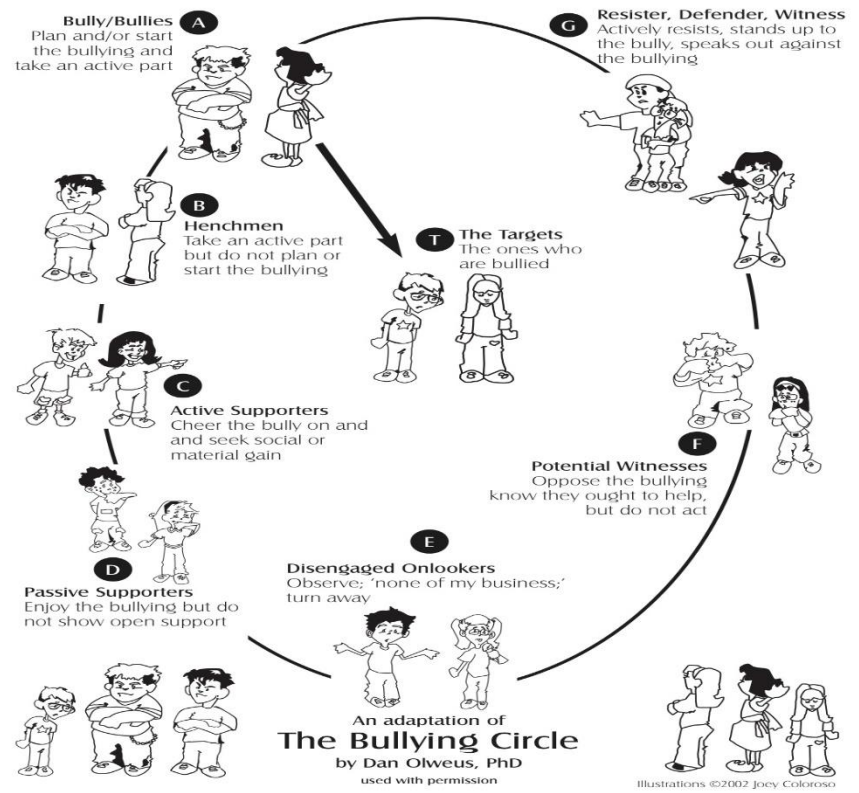
PRJH Warrior Pride
Our Goal is 0 incidents for the year.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

CHOOSE TO BE:

SAFE, KIND, RESPECTFUL & RESPONSIBLE

The Bullying Circle



Common responses of people being harassed or targeted

- Resistance to tell someone – don't want to be seen as a tattletale
- Minimize harassment – “Everyone does it” (this is not true)
- Fear of being ostracized or kicked out from peer group
- Fear the situation will get worse
- Unsure how to handle the situation

Common responses of people who target or harass others

- Minimizing – “I was only joking”
- Retaliation through peer group – get others to do the work so you don’t get caught
- Pleasure from intimidating or hurting others
- Pleasure from power over others
- Seeks attention

Note:

Boys tend to be more direct (hitting, pushing, verbal insults, etc.)

Girls tend to be more indirect (rumors, exclusion of others, anonymous notes)

How to get help if you are being targeted

- If possible – tell the person to stop their actions – be specific
- Tell an adult – take a friend with you if needed

You have a right to go to school in a safe
environment

Consequences if you choose to target others

- Disciplinary action
 - Participate in a re-teaching lesson on treating others well.
 - Action taken will depend on the severity of the harassment.
 - Consequences can vary
 - Lunch detention
 - In school suspension (ISS)
 - Out of school suspension (OSS)
 - Expulsion (no longer welcome to attend school at PRJH)
 - Legal action (citation, charges being pressed, court)

What can you do to help?

- Be Warrior proud
- Take a stand & speak up
- Help someone who is being mistreated, abused, or targeted
- Tell an adult if you witness someone being targeted
- Commit to being a positive force at PRJH
- **WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE YOU CAN DO?** Create your “I Believe...” bubble in advisory



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