Gemini Elementary

A Bully-Free Zone

October is National Bullying Prevention Month

Definition of Bullying/Harassment

Bullying/Harassment means physically or verbally or emotionally hurting someone on purpose. It is unwanted and repeated, and can be written, verbal, or physical behavior...

Characteristics of Bullying RIP

- Repeated
- Imbalance of Power
 - Purposeful

What Is Normal Conflict Versus Bullying?

- Normal conflict happens with most kids.
- Normal conflict does not last because the kids eventually work it out.
 Bullying is repetitive and doesn't stop.
- In normal conflict, the power is balanced. In bullying, there is an imbalance in power.

What to do if you are being bullied/harassed:

- Tell the bully to stop
 - Walk away
- Seek help from a trusted school adult
- If it is repeated then make a report

How Students Report

- Verbal: In person reporting to teacher or administration (Student Incident Report Form will be used)
- Written: BPS Student Incident Reporting Form –available from your administration
- Anonymous- Speak Out Hotline: 1-800-226-7733

The POWER of Bystanders!

- Bystanders should:
- Express disapproval by not participating in the bullying behavior-
- DO NOT laugh along, DO NOT tease, DO NOT watch, listen, or gossip!!!
- Tell the bully to STOP!
- Walk away (encourage the victim to go with you);
- If you see the bullying behavior repeated, REPORT the bully / bullies.

What is Bullying?

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=-BVziD6mpkg