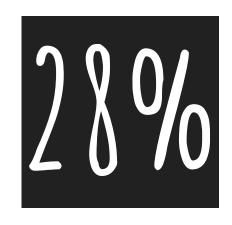
# WE CAN POSITIVELY IMPACT OUR SCHOOL

Preventing Bullying & Suicide Parent Workshop Goshen Elementary School 2018

### UNDERSTAND BULLYING

is repeated, unwanted, agressive or insulting behavior to intimidate another person.



Of U.S. grade school students reported being bullied in 2017 school year.

# 57%

Of bullying situations stopped when a peer intervened.

## PEOPLE WHO BULLY

- May have been bullied themselves
  - Are trying to get attention
- May be using it as a defense mechanism
- Feel like they need to control others
- "Feed" off the reaction of their victim

can cause depression, anxiety, headaches and stomach aches, sleep problems and school avoidance.

elicits a stress response.

It is called

"fight or flight"

makes kids feel unsafe.

It prevents them from learning and reaching their potential.

is the easy way out.

It takes work to solve problems,
 manage your emotions,
and to improve yourself.

### ANALYZING STEREOTYPES

#### INTRODUCTION ACTIVITY: ANALYZE YOUR STEREOTYPES

Directions: Look at the following pictures. Write down the first impression you have when you see them. It might be a feeling, a word, or a question. Try not to verbally react. We will not share answers so be honest with yourself.

















### 12 KAMAKAWIWO'OLE ~ HAWAIIN SINGER



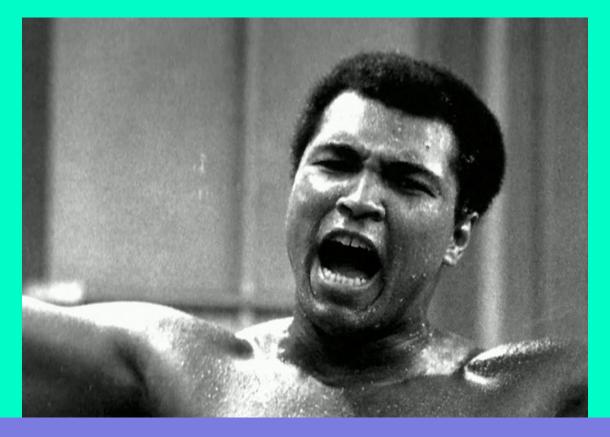
MUSLIM MUSICIAN ~ FIGHTING TERRORISM WITH MUSIC



STEPHEN HAWKING ~ THEORETICAL PHYSICIST



### TREACHER COLLINS SYNDROME - WONDER MOVIE



MUHAMMAD ALI AFTER WINNING A MATCH



JOHN CRONIN ~ JOHN'S CRAZY SOCKS





WHEN WE FOCUS ON DIFFERENCES, WE SEPARATE "US" AND "THEM"

## STEREOTYPES JUDGEMENTS BIAS

- RACISM

### "US" AND "THEM"

POINTING OUT DIFFERENCES SEPARATES US FROM EACH OTHER IT FOCUSES ON THE LABEL RATHER THAN THE PERSON

DEEP DOWN WE ARE ALL THE SAME SAME HEARTS, SAME LUNGS, SAME FEELINGS SAME DESIRES, SAME HOPES AND DREAMS

### IMPROVING EMPATHY

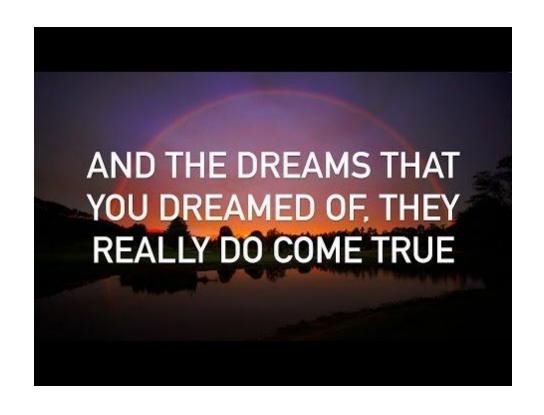


#### DEVELOPING ACTIVITY: PRACTICE USING EMPATHY

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**Voice Level: 0 (no talking please)** 

## POSITIVELY IMPACT YOUR SCHOOL

#### CULMINATING ACTIVITY: DEVELOP A PLAN

Directions: Work as a team to come up with

#### 1 to 5 ideas

for how we can reduce bullying at our school.

Try to think of *positive actions* we all can take to make change happen.

Display your ideas on the poster using text, drawings, and/or diagrams.

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Be prepared to share!



**Voice Level: 3 (for your group)** 

### SHARE YOUR IDEAS!

Voice level: 5

(when presenting - project your voice)

Audience Voice Level: 0

Step #1

Be Assertive

Tell the person to stop.

Step #2

Problem Solve

Can the situation be avoided?

Step #3

Tell an Adult

Report to a trusted adult

Step #4

Keep Reporting

If the situation does not change,

keep reporting

Step #5

#### Complete a Bullying Form

If the problem does not improve, formally report using the Bullying/Harassment Form

#### PREVENTING SUICIDE

## MENTAL HEALTH

1 in 20 students are diagnosed with anxiety or depression, and this number is growing every year

## SUICIDE STATISTICS

Suicide is the second leading cause of death in children 10 and up.

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More teenagers and young adults die from suicide than from cancer, heart disease, AIDS, birth defects, stroke, pneumonia, influenza, and chronic lung disease,

COMBINED

#### SUICIDE WARNING SIGNS

- Talking about suicide
- Making statements about feeling hopeless, helpless, or worthless
- A deepening depression
- Preoccupation with death
- Taking unnecessary risks or exhibiting self-destructive behavior
- Out of character behavior
- A loss of interest in the things one cares about
- Visiting or calling people one cares about
- Making arrangements; setting one's affairs in order
- Giving prized possessions away
- Self- injury, cutting, anorexia or bulimia

## TAKE IT SERIOUSLY

Take every statement about suicide seriously. Try not to judge or show strong emotion. Seek medical help immediately. Do not leave the child alone.

### SUICIDE PREVENTION

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Whole group lessons will focus on coping skills, resiliency, building self-confidence, social skills, problem solving, and conflict resolution.
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On an individual basis, we will offer referrals to community mental health services

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Our goal is to create an open, caring environment where students feel comfortable discussing their concerns and problems.

#### EXIT ACTIVITY:

SIGN YOUR NAME TO ONE OF THE "PREVENTING BULLYING" IDEAS, SHOWING YOU ARE COMMITTED TO TRYING THAT STRATEGY

"THROUGH OTHERS, WE BECOME OURSELVES"
~LEV VYGOTSKY