Anti-Bullying Jingle

Time needed: 80 minutes
Recommended Level: Grade 5-8

Categories: Bystanders, Empowering

Common Core Standard(s): Writing to convey

information, Speaking & Listening

Purpose: Students will understand the school's position against bullying and harassment and will help implement bullying prevention principles with students, faculty and parents.

DISCUSSION:

Open discussion by asking students to give examples of different types of bullying (cyber, physical, emotional, etc.). List the different types/examples and place list on board where all can see.

ACTIVITY:

Divide students into groups of 3 or 4. Each group will create a music jingle as an ad to raise awareness of and discourage bullying. The jingle can be written in proper music format (notes, pitches & lyrics) for a music class. In other classes, students can just write lyrics and music, whichever makes the most sense to them. Each group will perform its jingle for the entire class.

Optional: Video the performances – class votes on most effective jingle which is then broadcast to the entire school via school news program (if one exists).

FOLLOW-UP:

After each group performs, class fills out evaluation form with the following questions:

- 1. Was the main theme of the ad clearly presented?
- 2. Was the tune catchy with a main repeated line that sticks in your head? If so, what is the line that you remember?
- 3. Would this jingle grab the attention of your peers right away? If not, how could it be improved to do so?

