

What is Bullying?

Bullying occurs when a student or group of students engages in written or verbal expression, expression through electronic means, or physical conduct that occurs on school property, at a school-sponsored or school-related event, or in a vehicle operated by the district and that:

1. Has the effect or will have the effect of physically harming a student, damaging a student's property, or placing a student in reasonable fear of harm to the student's person or of damage to the student's property; or
2. Is sufficiently severe, persistent, and pervasive enough that the action or threat creates an intimidating, threatening, or abusive educational environment for a student.

This conduct is considered bullying if it:

1. Exploits an **imbalance of power** between the student perpetrator and the student victim through written or verbal expression or physical conduct; and
2. Interferes with a student's education or substantially disrupts the operation of a school.

REPORT A BULLY

Bullying can be reported on-line from the campus homepage or CCISD website.

In the Campus folder select
➤ **Report-a-Bully**
and
complete the form.



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Support for Prevention

Types of Bullying

Physical-shoving, tripping, punching, hitting or even sexual assault. Taking or destroying others' possessions.

Verbal-name calling, taunting, teasing and making threats or racist remarks.

Psychological-gossiping, purposely excluding others from a group and persuading others to reject the victim.

Cyberbullying-posting insults or sending cruel messages through text-messaging and via the internet. Creating cruel websites or polls about the victim.

Warning Signs

- Refuses to go to school
- Has unexplained injuries
- Has stomachaches, headaches,
- Seems withdrawn or anxious and aggressive
- Skips classes
- Stops talking about school
- Has drop in grades
- Has decreased self-esteem

How to Help

- Listen carefully and stay involved.
- Build children's self-respect.
- Teach children to stand up for themselves without fists.
- Role-play tough situations.
- Identify supportive people who can help, but remember that schools are prohibited from discussing consequences given to the other children.
- Talk to children about responsible use of technology and social media.
- Get children involved in activities with like-minded kids.

Resources

Texas School Safety Center
<http://txssc.txstate.edu/topics/bullying/>

A Mini-Guide for Parents
https://www.bullyfree.com/site/files/BullyFree_ParentGuide.pdf

Bullying at pppst.com
<http://facs.pppst.com/bullying.html>

National Bullying Prevention
<http://www.pacer.org/bullying/>

Stopbullying.gov
<http://www.stopbullying.gov/>

National Association of School Psychologists
<http://www.nasponline.org/resources/bullying/>

Bully Prevention Resource Guide
<http://www.bullyingprevention.org/>