

WHAT IS BULLYING?

Children - Preteens

- Bullying happens when someone hurts or scares another person on purpose
- Person being bullied has a hard time defending him or herself
- This happens over and over

Teenagers - Adults

Intentional harm-doing (physical or verbal)

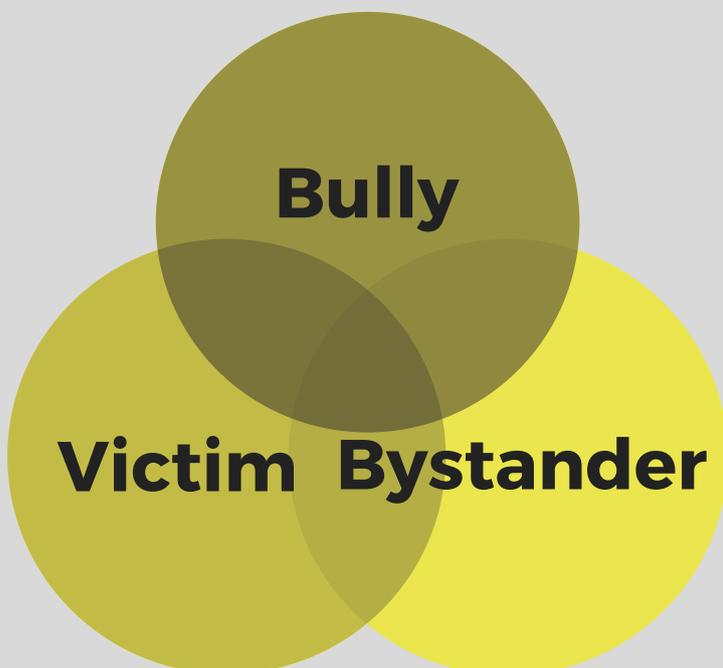
Purposeful act against someone that has a hard time defending themselves

Repeated over time

What about Cyberbullying?

- Cyberbullying is when bullies use the Internet, mobile phones or other electronic devices to repeatedly hurt or scare another person.

Who is involved?



- **THE BULLY** - The person with the upper hand, usually seen as stronger or more powerful than the victim **PHYSICALLY, VERBALLY, OR SOCIALLY**
- **THE VICTIM** - The person being picked on, has difficulty defending themselves or may be completely defenseless **PHYSICALLY, VERBALLY, OR SOCIALLY**
- **THE BYSTANDER (S)** - The person (or people) who see someone being bullied by another person but do nothing to stop it.
- Individuals that stand and watch, point, or whisper to each other, but do not get involved either by trying to stop it or telling an adult or person of authority (eg. Police officer) so that they can stop it.

BULLYING STATISTICS



- 160,000 students stay home from school every day due to bullying. (NEA)
- A bully is 6 times more likely to be incarcerated by the age of 24.
- A bully is 5 times more likely to have a serious criminal record when he/she grows up.
- 2/3 of students who are targets become bullies.
- 70.6% of young people say they have seen bullying in their schools
- 20% of all children say they have been bullied.
- 20% of high school students say they have seriously considered suicide within the last 12 months.
- 25% of students tend to report that teachers intervene in bullying incidents while 71% of teachers report intervening.
- 9% of students in grades 6–12 experienced cyberbullying
- 30% of students who reported they had been bullied said they had at times brought weapons to school.
- Every 7 minutes a child is reported to have been bullied on a school playground.
- In schools where there are anti-bullying programs, bullying is reduced by 50%.
- Bullying was a factor in 2/3 of the 37 school shootings reviewed by the US Secret Service.
- According to the National Institute of Occupational Safety Health (NIOSH) (Sauter, et al.,1990), there is a loss of employment amounting to \$19 billion and a drop in productivity of \$3 billion due to workplace bullying.

