

Strategies for Preventing Bullying in Your School

Category: Bullying and Cyberbullying



Workshop Overview

Following is a general overview of this workshop, including desired participant outcomes, an explanation of the workshop's alignment with Learning Forward Standards for Professional Learning, and resources that are included in print and electronic form.

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Duration: Full workshop – 3 hours

Desired Outcomes:

Participants will...

- Identify different forms of bullying and the effects of bullying on learning.
- Identify ways educators, parents, students, and community members can ensure a safe school.
- Apply strategies to prevent bullying in the school.

Learning Forward Standards for Professional Learning:

- **Learning Communities:** Occurs within learning communities committed to continuous improvement, collective responsibility, and goal alignment.
- **Resources:** Requires prioritizing, monitoring, and coordinating resources for educator learning.
- **Learning Designs:** Integrates theories, research, and models of human learning to achieve its intended outcomes.
- **Implementation:** Applies research on change and sustains support for implementation of professional learning for long term change.
- **Outcomes:** Aligns its outcomes with educator performance and student curriculum standards.

Resources in This Binder:

- Handouts
 - Handout 1: Classroom Resources
 - Handout 2: Case Studies
 - Workshop Agenda
 - Attendee Notes
 - 3-2-1 Evaluation Form
 - Certificate of Completion
- "Think About It" Exercise
- Ready, Set, Go Planning Activity



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Topic Outline



Understanding the general flow of topics to be covered is an important part of giving a strong presentation. This allows the presenter(s) to lead effective group discussions and speak extemporaneously. Following are the main topics covered in this PowerPoint presentation. As you prepare to give the workshop, you may want

to refer to this page often.

Main Topics:

- 1. The Basics of Bullying
- 2. Preventing Bullying
- 3. What Can I Do?
- 4. Teaching Respect

Subtopics:

1. The Basics of Bullying

- a. What is Bullying?
- b. Types of Bullying
- c. Research on Bullying
- d. Who is Hurt?

2. Preventing Bullying

- a. How Do We Prevent Bullying?
- b. School-Level Interventions
- c. Classroom Activities
- d. Individual Interventions
- e. Community Activities
- f. Tips for Success

3. What Can I Do?

- a. Classroom Strategies
- 4. Teaching Respect
 - a. Classroom Resources

Presentation Outline



This outline is designed for you to see the PowerPoint presentation at a glance. Note that slide numbers and the approximate amount of time needed per slide are shown in the right two columns. **The times in bold print show the approximate total time needed for that topic, which includes the approximate times for the activities, shown in parentheses.** You might consider keeping this page within reach during the presentation.

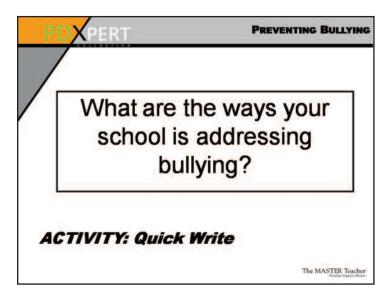
Section of Presentation	Slide #	Timing (mins)
Getting Started Introduce self, co-teacher, participants Explain materials issued to participants	1-2	
Cover objectives (from Workshop Overview)	2	10
Topic 1 – The Basics of Bullying	3-11	40
Activity – Think, Pair, Share	8	(10)
Activity – Reflection	10	(5)
Topic 2 – Preventing Bullying	12-22	40
Activity – Quick Write	13	(5)
Break		
Topic 3 – What Can I Do?	23-27	30
Topic 4 – Teaching Respect	28-30	45
Activity – Case Study	30	(30)
Closing Thoughts	31	5
Total of 2 hours and 50 minutes (not including break)		

Helpful tip!

This workshop can be broken up into shorter sessions so that you can adapt the presentation according to your time constraints.

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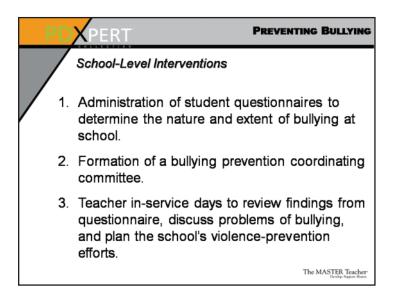


Activity: Quick Write

[Allow 5 minutes for this activity.]

Ask participants to reflect on how their school is currently addressing bullying and to write their thoughts down in their journals. Ask them to describe the systems in place to prevent bullying and to evaluate whether these are adequate or not. Have two or three volunteers share their responses with the group.

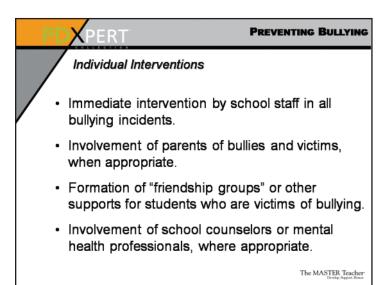
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The following are steps that can be followed by the school in designing a program that prevents bullying. Note that the bullying prevention coordinating committee mentioned in #2 can be a small group of energetic teachers, administrators, counselors, and other school staff who plan and monitor the school's activities.



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Remind teachers that individual interventions will most likely be part of a larger, schoolwide anti-bullying policy. Such a policy may detail exactly what a teacher or other staff member should and should not do in the event they witness or hear about bullying. It is important to follow these policies consistently, so that bullies understand the consequences of their behavior and victims and witnesses of bullying are sure they will be heard and supported.

Ask teachers to list appropriate individual interventions they have themselves implemented when confronted with bullying. If there is a schoolwide anti-bullying policy, determine whether these interventions are detailed in that policy.



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Have staff complete this exercise to begin implementing what they learned during the workshop. Distribute this document to staff by attaching the file to the Next Day Follow-Up Email, or make copies for the staff.

1. List down at least five strategies that you have used in preventing bullying in your class and in school.

2. Are there any aspects of the topic that the training did not cover? What are they and how do you propose handling these aspects?

3. If you are to develop an action plan to prevent bullying in your classroom, how would you describe this plan? Based on what you've learned from the training, how can you improve this plan?

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