

Our Commitment to Address Bullying

Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School administration and staff are committed to continuing our efforts to eradicate bullying in all forms, as we strive to create a learning community that values respect and responsibility for all. As always, we will work in partnership with parents, our School Resource Officer and community members in reinforcing this message and communicating our collective intolerance for “bullying”.

What to Do...

Please notify the school counselor or administration if you suspect your child is experiencing bullying, harassment or mean behaviors.

The Safe School Climate Specialist in our school is: Mr. C. Moore

Recommendation for Parents

- **Communicate regularly with your child and their friends.**
- **Talk specifically about bullying and the consequences of mean behaviors.**
- **Monitor your child's use of the internet.**
- **Know all your child's digital accounts and passwords.**
- **Model and help reinforce digital citizenship and responsibility.**

What to Look for (Bully)...

- **Becomes violent with others.**
- **Gets into physical or verbal fights with others.**
- **Gets sent to the principal's office or detention a lot.**
- **Has extra money or new belongings that cannot be explained.**
- **Is quick to blame others.**
- **Will not accept responsibility for their actions.**
- **Has friends who are mean toward others.**
- **Needs to win or be the best at everything.**

What to Look for (Victim)...

Does your child:

- **Have many school absences?**
- **Show increased anxiety over school attendance?**
- **Show withdrawal from peers or change in friendships?**
- **Show a decline in school performance?**
- **Avoid school activities and lack involvement?**
- **Have missing belongings or report losing them?**
- **Have frequent physical complaints?**
- **Come home from school unhappy or angry?**