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America's Safe Schools Week

2023 Bibliography for School Safety and Anti-Bullying

Nonfiction

We Want you to Know by Deborah Ellis **302.3 ELL**
The author provides first-hand perspectives on bullying from children ages nine to nineteen and includes discussion questions.

Letters to a Bullied Girl by Olivia Gardner **302.3 GAR**
Gardner presents a selection of letters from the thousands written to her to offer comfort and support when she became the victim of bullying after suffering an epileptic seizure in school.

Online Bullying by Peter Ryan **302.3 RYA**
The author identifies cyber bullying and provides tips for preventing and stopping it.

Are you Being Bullied? by Therese Harasymiw **303.34 HAR**
Readers will identify different bullying behaviors, such as bullying with words and bullying on the Internet, and they will learn the steps they can take if they or a friend believes they are being bullied.

Bullying Online by Therese Harasymiw **302.34 HAR**
Cyberbullying includes email, instant messaging, texting, and social-networking sites, and this book teaches readers how to spot cyberbullying behaviors.

Don't be a Bully by Therese Harasymiw **302.34 HAR**
What motivates bullies, and how can peers stop harmful bullying behaviors before they escalate and do lasting harm?

When People Bully with Words by Therese Harasymiw **302.34 HAR**
The author offers tips about how to deal with bullying and explains how bullying can affect self-esteem, who can offer help, and where to find further advice about bullies.

You can Help Stop Bullying! by Therese Harasymiw **302.34 HAR**
Bullying is a dangerous and sometimes deadly behavior in schools, neighborhoods, and online, and this book offers advice on how to take control and be a self-advocate.

When People Bully in Groups by Therese Harasymiw **302.34 HAR**
One bully can be hard to handle, but a group of bullies may seem insurmountable to victims, but the author discusses the tools needed to reject bullying culture.

Kids and Guns by Ted Schwarz **303.6 SCH**
Schwarz examines the history of guns and gun use, issues of gun ownership and control, and the relationship between guns and violence involving young people.

The Courage to be Yourself by Al Desetta **305.23 DES**
Twenty-six real teenagers describe their experiences with peer pressure, exclusion, teasing, bullying, and other forms of disrespect because of their ethnicity, sexual orientation, weight, clothing, interests, refusal to do drugs, and they discuss their struggles to be true to themselves.

School Shootings by Jen Barton **371.7 BAR**
The author explores the history of school shootings and how it has evolved, including how people and laws are addressing it today.

School Violence by Kathleen Klatte **371.7 KLA**
School violence is a complex subject, ranging from fights on the playground all the way up to headline-grabbing tragedies, and this book addresses this challenging topic.

Dealing with School Shootings by Kate Shoup **371.82 SHO**
The author explores the growing epidemic of school shootings, including strategies for prevention, preparing for, and protecting oneself during a school shooting.

Positive: A Memoir by Paige Rawl **B RAWL**
A teenager's memoir details the experiences of bullying, being HIV positive and surviving the experiences to become a force for positive change in this world

Fiction

Posted by John Anderson **FIC AND**
A group of middle school students decide to begin leaving sticky notes for each other after cell phones are banned, but soon the kids in school are leaving cruel notes, and the school changes.

All of Me by Chris Baron

FIC BAR

Thirteen-year-old Ari faces what it is to be a man while dealing with a cross-country move, his parents' separation, being bullied for his weight, and belatedly starting bar mitzvah preparations.

Gutless by Carl Deuker

FIC DEU

When Brock, a high school football wide receiver, shies away from the game's physical contact, he becomes a target for bullying and works to overcome his fears.

Starfish by Lisa Fipps

FIC FIP

Bullied and shamed her whole life for being fat, twelve-year-old Ellie finally gains the confidence to stand up for herself, with the help of some wonderful new allies.

Rhyme Schemer by K.A. Holt

FIC HOL

This novel-in-verse about Kevin's journey from bully to being bullied, highlights his changing perspectives, friendships, and his talent for poetry.

This is not a Drill by K.A. Holt

FIC HOL

Told in text messages, middle-schooler Ava is having a really bad day: her parents are getting divorced, she has had a big argument with her best friends, and the charge on her cell phone is getting low; but things are about to get a lot worse because the lockdown alarm has just gone off, and there is an intruder in the school building.

American as Paneer Pie by Supriya Kelkar

FIC KEL

When a racist incident rocks her small Michigan town, eleven-year-old Lekha must decide whether to speak up or stay silent, even as she struggles to navigate her life at home, where she can be herself, and at school, where she is teased about her culture.

Bystander by James Preller

FIC PRE

Thirteen-year-old Eric discovers there are consequences to not standing by and watching as the bully at his new school hurts people, but although school officials are aware of the problem, Eric may be the one with a solution.