



Homer Hanna ECCHS AntiBullying Presentation

"Soar Above Bullying"





What is Bullying?

-Bullying is a form of aggressive behavior in which someone intentionally causes another person injury or discomfort. Bullying can take the form of physical contact, words or more subtle actions.

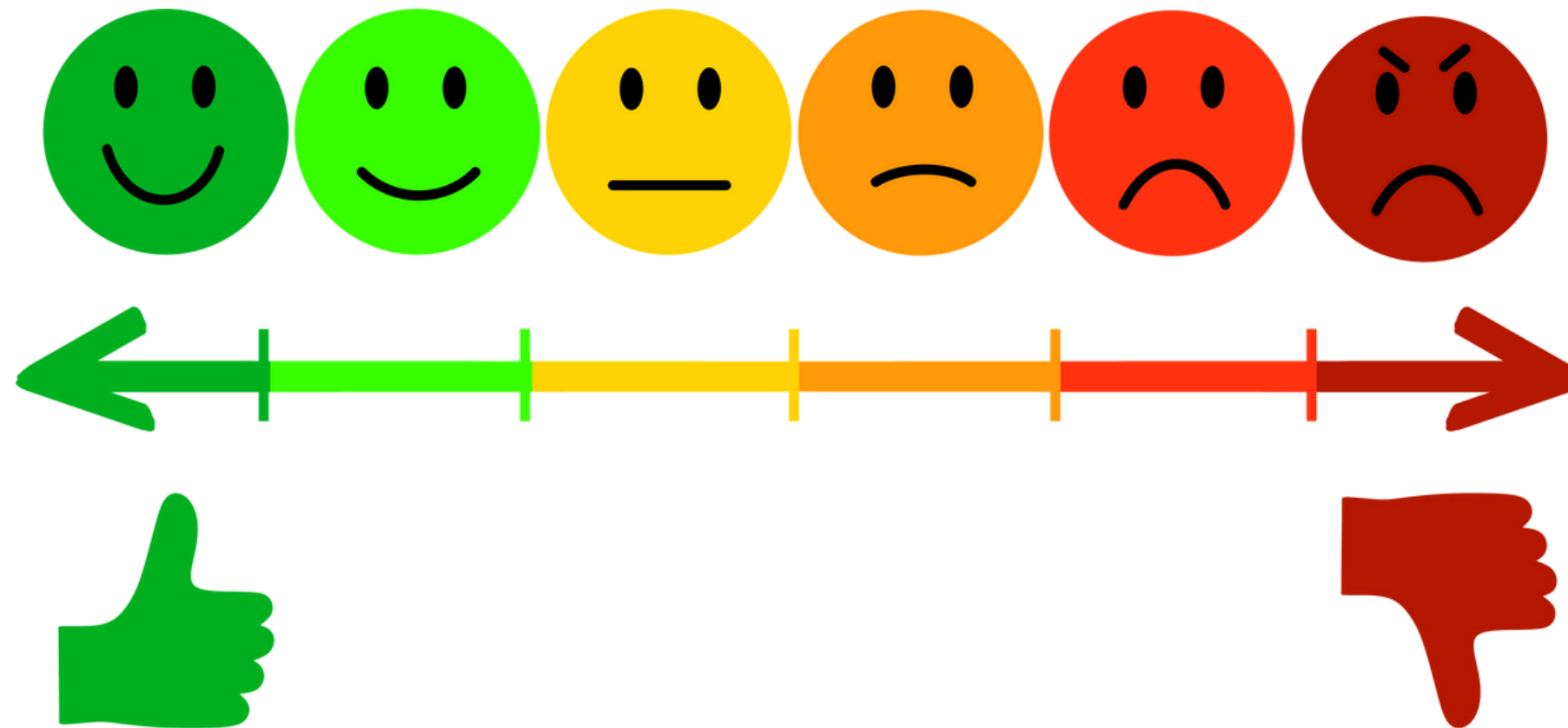


Bullying: What Feelings Come to Mind ?

Identify Them



Are They Positive or Negative?





Types of Bullying:



-Physical Bullying is the most obvious form of intimidation and can consist of kicking, hitting, biting, pinching, hair pulling and making threats. A bully may threaten to punch you if you don't give up your money, your lunch, etc.

-Verbal Bullying often accompanies physical behavior. This can include name calling, spreading rumors and persistent teasing.

-Emotional Intimidation/Bullying is closely related to the abovementioned types of bullying. A bully may deliberately exclude you from a group activity such as a party or school outing.

-Racist/Bias Bullying can take many forms: making racial slurs, spray painting graffiti, mocking the victim's cultural customs and making offensive gestures.

-Cyberbullying is one or a group of people using electronic means via computers and mobile phones (emails, Websites, chat rooms, instant messaging and texting) to torment, threaten, harass, humiliate, embarrass or target another person.


Cyberbullying Examples:



 <p>Flaming</p>	 <p>Impersonation</p>	 <p>Exclusion</p>	 <p>Harassment</p>
 <p>Cyberstalking</p>	 <p>Outing/ Trickery</p>	 <p>Denigration/ Gossip</p>	 <p>Cyber threats</p>



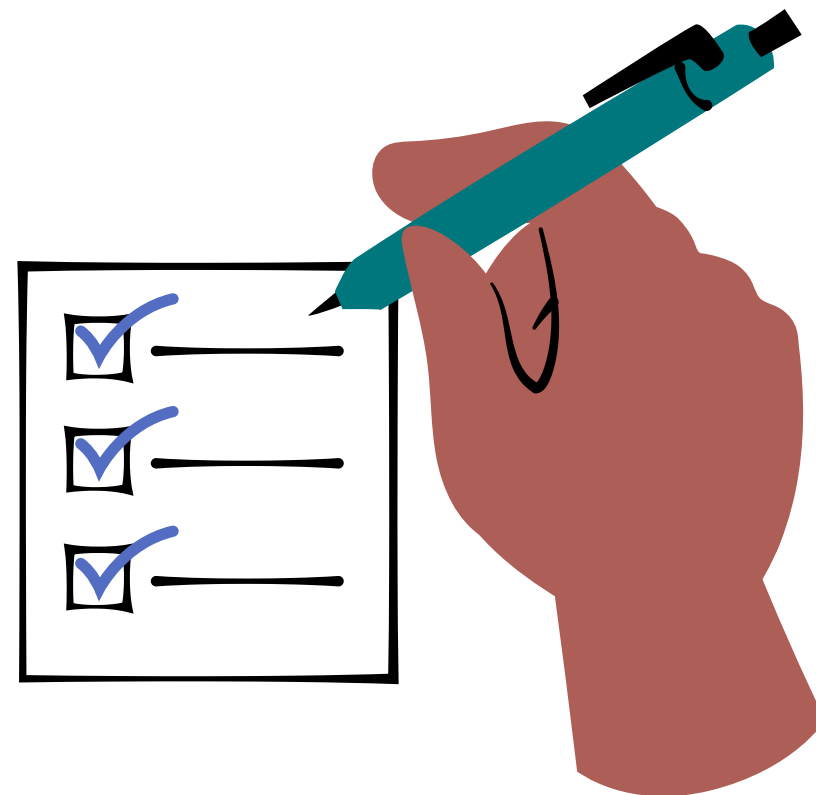
Photographs & video

 Unguarded and private moments are used by the cyberbully to harass and embarrass the victim. These photos and videos are posted online or shared widely via SMS .

Is It Bullying?



Review the Bullying Checklist





BULLYING CHECKLIST

FOR SCHOOLS

PLEASE READ BEFORE USING CHECKLIST

To determine whether an act is bullying or cyberbullying by law, proceed down the checklist and provide a checkmark for each true statement. If any identified section does not receive at least one checkmark, then the act is not considered bullying by state law.

SB 179, "David's Law" expanded authority to school districts, allowing public and charter schools to address cyberbullying off-campus and outside of school-related or school-sponsored activities based on specific criteria. In order to address this legislative change, this checklist may help parents, educators, and administrators determine if a student at their school has been bullied according to the legislative definition. Please follow the conditional 'yes/no' logic for the questions regarding the use of electronic communication devices in possible bullying scenarios.

Did the act occur outside of a school-sponsored or school-related activity?

(This is an important distinction, as David's Law expands a school district's authority to include cyberbullying incidents that occur off campus and outside a school-sponsored or school-related activity, as long as it meets one of the below criteria.)

Yes

Did the act interfere with a student's educational opportunities; or substantially disrupt the orderly operation of a classroom, school, or school-sponsored/related activity?

No

According to law, if the act **DID NOT** meet the criteria above, it is not under the school district's authority.

IS IT BULLYING?

Was it a single significant act?
Was it a pattern of acts?

By one or more students directed at another student that **exploits an imbalance of power**

Through physical contact
Using verbal expression
Using written expression
Using electronic means

Physically harms a student or damages their property

Creates reasonable fear of harm to student or damage to their property

Is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive enough that the action or threat creates:

Intimidating educational environment
Threatening educational environment
Abusive educational environment

Materially and substantially disrupts the educational process or operation of school

Infringes on rights of victim at school

Was the act committed by using any type of electronic communication device?

(i.e. Cellular or other phone, computer, camera, e-mail, text or instant messaging, social media app, Internet website, Internet communication tool)

No

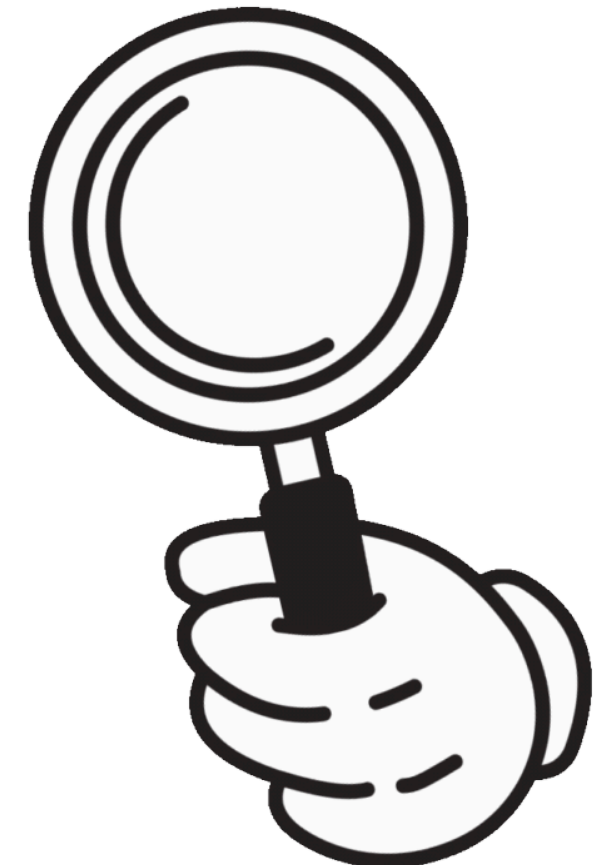
On school property
At a school-sponsored or school-related activity (on or off campus)
On school bus or vehicle used to transport students

YES, IT'S BULLYING

(Cyberbullying is bullying)

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TEXAS SCHOOL SAFETY CENTER
www.txssc.txstate.edu

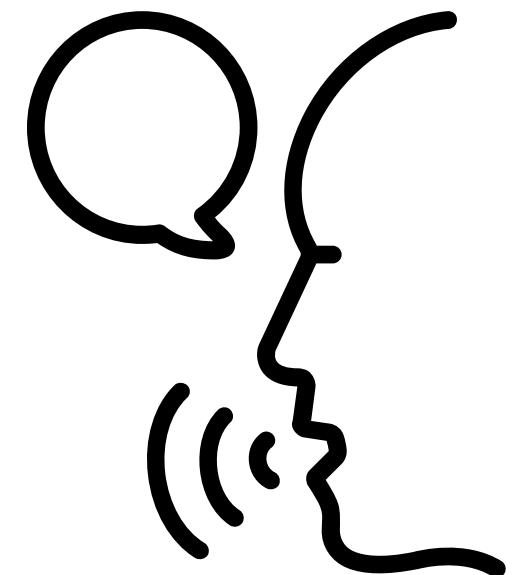
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What To Do If You Witness Bullying:

- Speak to a trusted adult if you or someone you know is being bullied. Trusted adults can give comfort, support and advice, even if they can't solve the problem directly.
- Please report bullying when it happens. If you SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING (Reports are ANONYMOUS).
- Stand up to students who bully. You can use humor or say "stop" directly and confidently. Do your best to walk away from the situation.
- Remember it's safer to stay near adults or groups of students.
- Be sure to help students who are being bullied by showing kindness or getting help.



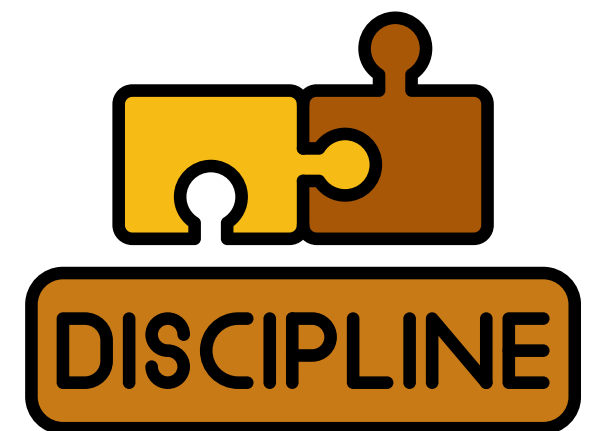


Consequences of Bullying

(On or Off Campus)



- A thorough investigation will take place and parents/guardians will be notified.
- Student(s) can be removed from UIL/Extracurricular programs and activities: sports, clubs, fine arts, etc.
- Student(s) may receive In School Suspension
- Guilty parties can be placed/sent to an Alternative Education Center (Brownsville Academic Center)
- Depending on severity, BISD/Brownsville Police can get involved and legal criminal proceedings may occur (David's Law - Class A misdemeanor).

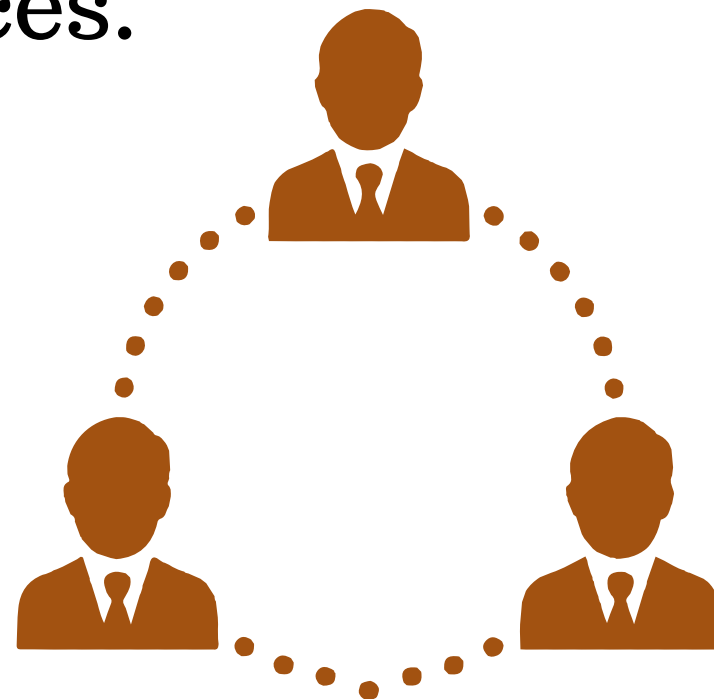
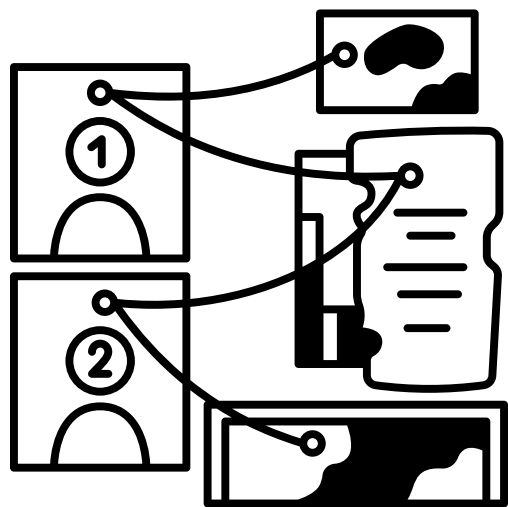


Bullying Responsibilities



-When a tip or report of Bullying is filed/received, our administrative team is responsible for investigating the allegation and assigning consequences to those responsible.

-Counselors are responsible for mediation between students, meeting with those affected when necessary and can help in referring students to appropriate counseling services.





AN EARLY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BROWNSVILLE
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Guidance & Counseling Department

Steps to Respect Anti-Bullying Pledge

We will not accept bullying at our school.

Our goal is to create a safe, caring, respectful school.

We agree that it is everyone's responsibility to stop bullying.

It is up to each of us to make sure that bullying does not happen.

We will:

- Treat others with fairness and respect.
- Find ways to help others join games and other activities.
- Speak out against bullying.
- Refuse to let others be bullied.
- Report bullying to an adult.
- Refuse to bully others.
- Be responsible bystanders who are part of the solution.
- Help others feel safe and comfortable at our school.



Student: _____ Parent: _____

Date: _____

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Remember:



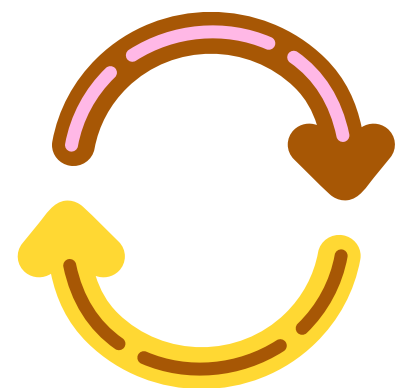
Mistakes Happen: Learn from them to grow.

Golden Rule/Karma/Goes Around Comes Around: Positivity begets positivity.

Avoid Negative Behavior: Stay away from roasting, savagery, flaming, etc.

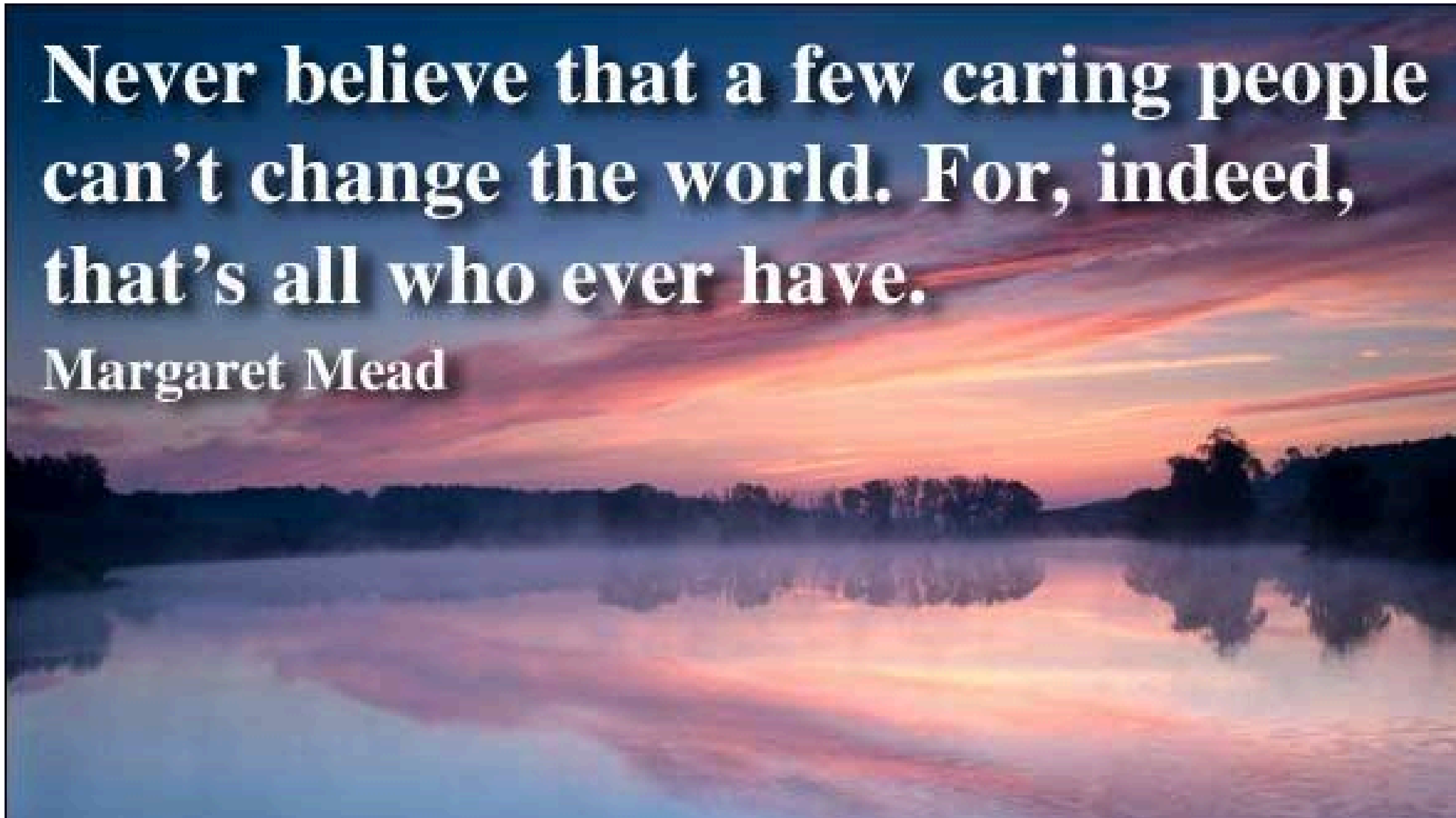
Appreciate Time: Life is best lived with fewer regrets.

T-H-I-N-K: Take time and ponder before you speak.



**Never believe that a few caring people
can't change the world. For, indeed,
that's all who ever have.**

Margaret Mead





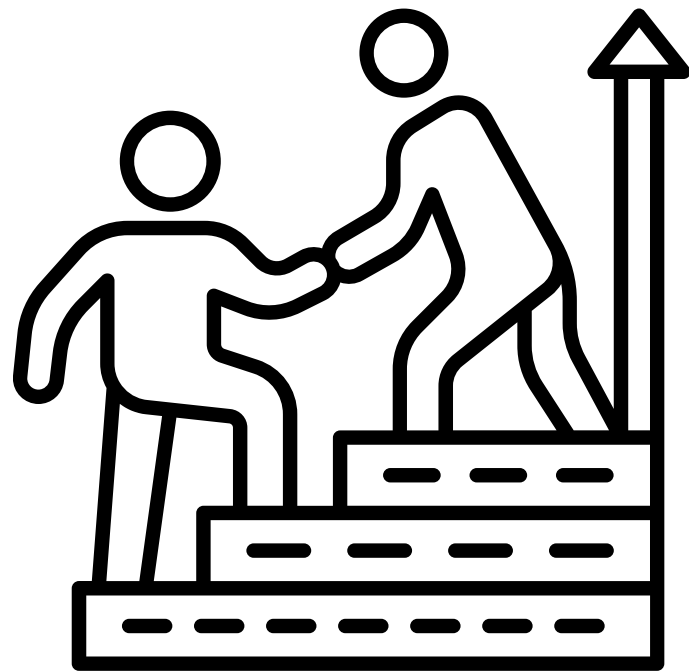
**Report Bullying / Cyberbullying
Anonymous Online Reporting
www.bisd.us**

Hotline 408-0049

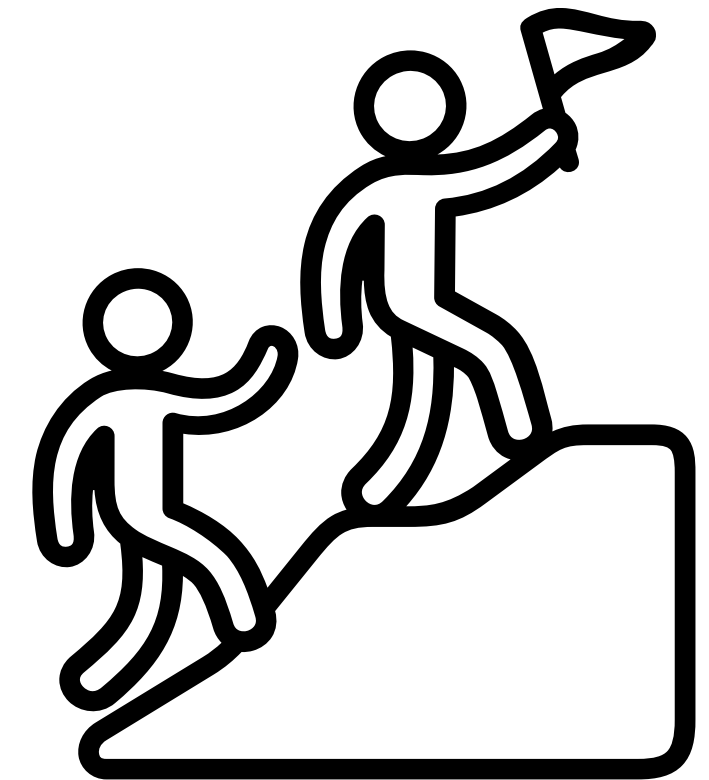
**All calls are confidential.
No court testimony is
required and cash rewards
are available.**



Community Resources



NEED TO TALK? EMOTIONAL SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE	
Connect with a BISD School Counselor BISD HELPLINE (956) 698-2053	
COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line 1-833-986-1919	
BISD Campus Care Centers (956) 548-8845	BISD Police - (956) 698-2085
Tropical Texas Behavioral Health 861 Old Alice Road, Brownsville, Texas (956) 547-5400 / Crisis Line: 1-877-289-7199 Children and Adult Mental Health services	Counseling & Training Clinic at UTRGV 2168 E. Jackson, Brownsville, Texas (956) 882-7792 Counseling services
Mesquite Treatment Center 513 E. Jackson, Suite 221, Harlingen, Texas (956)428-2100 Alcohol & Substance Abuse Counseling	Palms Behavioral Health 613 Victoria Lane Harlingen, TX 78550 (956) 365-2600
The Recovery Center 700 E. Levee, Brownsville, Texas (956) 548-0028 Alcohol & Substance Abuse Counseling	Good Neighbor Settlement Home 1254 E. Tyler, Brownsville, Texas (956)542-2368 Essential daily living support services
Behavioral Health Solutions Substance abuse prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery counseling services (956) 423-0018	Children's Bereavement Center – RGV 2302 577 Sunshine Strip ste 202 (956) 368-4065 Loss & Grief Counseling
Tip of Texas Family Outreach 455 E. Levee St, Brownsville, Texas (956) 541-5566 Education, interventions, counseling services for families	Ozanam Center 656 N. Minnesota Road, Brownsville, Texas (956) 831-6331 Emergency shelter / housing services
Buckner Children & Family Services 1713 E. Tyler, Suite E, Harlingen Texas (956) 423-7909 / 1-800-442-4800 Crisis Counseling Services	Cameron County Juvenile Justice Department Free Counseling for crime victims of any age 956-544-0868
Friendship of Women 95 E. Price Road, Brownsville, Texas (956) 544-7412 Intervention services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault	Family Crisis Center 616 W. Taylor, Harlingen, Texas (956) 423-9304 1-866-423-9305 Intervention services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault
Proyecto Juan Diego (Cameron Park residents) (956) 542-2488 Provides social services, assistance with medical expenses	Cameron County Workforce Solutions 851 Old Alice Road, Brownsville, Texas (956) 546-3141 Assists with childcare services for eligible members Employment and career services
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255) CRISIS TEXT LINE – Text Hello to 741741	
Emergency Services – 911 City of Brownsville Police - (956) 548-7000 Brownsville Fire Department – (956) 548-6075 Cameron County Sheriff's Office – (956) 554-6700 Texas Department of Public Safety – (956) 983-1900 Family and Protective Services Department – (956) 546-5591 Report Abuse - Child Protective Services – 1-800-252-5400	Brownsville Housing Authority – (956) 541-4983 Food Bank of Grande Valley - (956) 682-8101 United Way of Southern Cameron County – (956)548-6880 Texas Legal Aid Office – (956)982-5540 BISD Homeless Youth Connection - (956) 698-0147 Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 National Runaway Safeline: 1-800-786-2929 Texas Medicaid Client Hotline: 1-800-252-8263 Attorney General Child Support Office – (956)544-1751



* it's **OK** to *
ASK for **HELP**

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Know Your School Counselor!

