

# D20 UNITED AGAINST BULLYING

## PRE-KINDERGARTEN

For many of our students at the ECC, this is their first time interacting with children other than their siblings, along with it being their first classroom experience. Students are taught to have **Penguin Power!** which means to be safe, be kind, and be a good friend. We give them concrete examples of what these mean throughout the year as they learn and develop their social emotional skills.

## ELEMENTARY

At Keeneyville District 20, we prioritize **Social Emotional Learning (SEL)** and celebrate students who demonstrate positive behaviors. Students can earn exciting incentives like spirit days, school-wide dance parties, and carnival events!

This fall, all elementary students participated in the **Kindness Challenge**, focusing on values like kindness, respect, generosity, and caring. Through engaging songs and discussions, students learned practical ways to show these values in their daily lives. They were also encouraged to complete an act of kindness for someone during the week.

At Greenbrook, students participate in the **"I Matter"** campaign, which encourages them to reflect on their unique contributions to those around them. As part of the #WhyIMatter initiative, each student designs a personalized puzzle piece that will be displayed in the school hallways, symbolizing the collective value of every individual in the school community.

Waterbury students engage in age-appropriate lessons led by school social workers on understanding and preventing bullying. In a **"We are Stronger Together"** school-wide activity, students expressed their commitment to standing against bullying by writing or drawing on paper chain links, which were then connected to represent the school's unity in fostering a supportive environment.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

At Spring Wood, students participate in a wide range of **Social Emotional Learning (SEL)** lessons and activities during their daily Advisory Classes. These sessions cover essential topics such as positive behavior, respect, self-esteem, teamwork, conflict resolution, anti-bullying, and other important SEL themes. Students also explore discussions on common forms of bullying, harassment, and ways to recognize and prevent bullying.

To encourage and celebrate positive behavior, the school offers various incentive programs. One popular initiative is **"Struck Being Good,"** where students are recognized for going above and beyond daily without needing prompts or reminders. This special recognition is awarded to students who consistently choose to be kind, helpful, prepared, positive, and safe. Students submit their awards into grade-level bins, and weekly drawings are held for exciting prizes.



**#D20SafeSchoolsWeek**