Bullying and ASD

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Agenda

- ASD Specific information
- Discuss Anti-Bullying Curriculum

ASD: Rates of Bullying

- Higher than general population
- Higher than other DD
- Higher than other at-risk groups
- Highest rates are verbal
- At least one form
 - 46% once a week
 - 35% every day

ASD: Outcomes of Bullying

- Internalizing, anxiety, depression, suicide, other health issues
- Academic performance, feelings of safety at school, fit at school
- Medium to large effect sizes
- Verbal most impactful
- Self reports largest effects

ASD: Implications of Research

- Proactive in addressing the issue
- Mindful of possible impact
- Ask the adolescent
 - Perception
 - Adults might not know

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Girls Guide to End Bullying

Anti-bullying curriculum for teen girls



> girlsguidetoendbullying.org boysguidetoendbullying.org



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Girls Guide to End Bullying (GGEB; The Guide)

A web-based intervention for teen girls meant to develop strategies for dealing with and preventing bullying.

Underlying Principles:

- Most students are against bullying but..
 - often do not know what to do to stop it
 - don't recognize that it is bullying occurring
- Help both the target and bystanders to stop it
- Provide multiple options so individuals can choose what works best for them

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Underlying Principles:

- Most curriculums
 - Comprehensive but are for entire schools
 - Accessed by individual students, but is not comprehensive
- As a result there is no comprehensive curriculum assessable to individual students, teachers, or parents.

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- Comprehensive Curriculum
 - Based on empirically tested anti-bullying principles
 - Provide specific actions for specific types of bullying
- Accessible to individuals
 - Free, web-based
 - Targets teens
 - Support material for teachers and parents



Program Aims

- Teach bystanders and victims strategies to effectively to stop bullying
 - Many strategies
 - Specific to the type of bullying
- Empower students to take positive action
- Develop:
 - Students' empathy and self-awareness
 - Students' sense of self-efficacy for taking action

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Start Guide

Addresses multiple types of bullying

- Physical
- Verbal
- Sexual
- Relational
- Cyber



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- Five separate modules for each type of bullying
 - Recognize Bullying (You can't stop bullying if you don't know what it looks like)
 - After the bullying (The consequences of bullying to motivate girls to act to stop bullying)
 - If you see bullying happening (Specific actions to do and not do when you see bullying happen)
 - If bullying is happening to you (Specific actions to do and not do when bullying is happening to you)
 - Bring it Together (Highlights and things to think about)

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 - Recognize Bullying (You can't stop bullying if you don't know what it looks like)
 - Bullying vs Peer Victimization
 - Who defines it
 - Once is enough
 - Anyone can do it
 - Do not need to tag someone as a bully
 - Stopping the behavior

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Website Layout

Girls Guide to End Bullying

- 1. Types of bullying
- 2. Different sections

Physical	Verbal	Relational	Sexual	Cyber
Recognize	Recognize	Recognize	Recognize	Recognize
After	After	After	After	After
See it				
Happen to you				
Bring it together				

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- Each module covers principles and actions for addressing bullying. To support these lessons, each module provides...
 - Videos
 - Activities
 - Additional support material
 - Parent and Teacher Manuals
 - Lesson Plans



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Videos:

Give examples of Situations (32) Verbal Bullying | Recognize Bullying



Activities:

Think about and practice strategies (Over 25)

Understanding Fogging

Physical Bullying | Action Plan

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Other support materials:

How to Talk to an Adult

<u>Quizzes</u>: Each section has it's own quiz on whether your not you might be a bully.

- Cyber | Bully Quiz

PDF's: Cover topics that surround bullying (over 10)

- Controlling Emotions
- Tattling v. Telling

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- Teacher Manual
 - How to use the site in the classroom
 - Address bullying when they see it
 - Encourage bystanders to end bullying
 - End bullying in the classroom and schools
- Lesson Plans (6)
 - Cyber Bullying Lesson Plan

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- Parent Manual
- Provides strategies for parents to:
 - Use the website with daughter
 - Learn to control own emotions
 - talk to daughter about being bullied
 - talk to daughter's school about bullying
 - help daughter if she is bullied
 - talk to daughter about being a bystander





How is GGEB being used by schools?

- Incorporating in classes such as:
 - Women's History
 - Health/Wellness/Disease Prevention (2 week unit)
 - Psychology
- Part of weekly homeroom
- Tool for student mentors
- Freshman orientation
- School psychologist and counselors

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