

Expect Respect

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Today in Homeroom, students took part in the kickoff of *Expect Respect*, our districtwide bullying prevention program. This initiative—supported through class meetings, daily announcements, and handbook reviews—reinforces our commitment to building a school culture where every student feels safe, respected, and ready to learn.

We encourage families to partner with us by talking with your student about the simple steps they can use when faced with disrespectful behavior. Together, we can help students feel confident in how to respond and support one another.

EXPECT RESPECT

#1	 <p>Eye contact Firm voice Tell them to STOP</p>
#2	 <p>If the person stops, move on with your day - focus on something else/find a positive friend.</p>
#3	 <p>If the person does not stop, decide whether to ignore them or talk to an adult.</p>
#4	<p>If you decide to ignore, don't look at or talk to that person. If you decide to seek support, choose an adult at school to ask for help.</p>

Appropriate Response if Asked to Stop
STOP even if you don't think you are doing anything wrong.
Remind yourself to make a change moving forward.
Say "OK" to the request and move on with your day.
IF THE SITUATION IS DANGEROUS - CHOOSE TO TALK TO AN ADULT

1. Tell the person to stop.
2. If they stop, move on with your day.
3. If the person does not stop, decide whether to ignore them or talk to an adult.
4. If you ignore, don't look at or talk to that person. If you seek support, choose a trusted adult at school.

If a student feels that they are encountering disrespectful words/actions, then they tell the person to stop. If the person does stop what they are doing, then the student can move on with their day. If the person doesn't stop what they are doing, then the student can decide to ignore them or talk to an adult.

Students will appropriately respond if someone asks them to stop. If a student is told to stop, then they will: 1) stop what they are doing 2) remind themselves of the importance of making this change moving forward and 3) say "OK" to the request and move on with their day.

Over the next few months, students will participate in lessons that focus on recognizing, stopping, and reporting different types of bullying. Lesson dates and topics include:

- August 26 – Introduction to *Expect Respect*
- September 2 – Bullying: Define, Identify, and Report
- September 9 – Racism/Hate Speech: Define, Identify, and Report
- September 16 – Good Sportsmanship & Spectator Behavior at Athletic Events
- October 21 – Cyberbullying & Building a Positive Online Presence
- November 11 – Program Closing

If you have any concerns about bullying, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. Thank you for supporting these important conversations at home as we work together to create a safe and positive school community.