

School and Districts' Responsibility

- Principal or designee will conduct an investigation.
- If bullying is verified, a safety plan will be made to keep your child safe at school.
- You will be kept informed in a timely manner.
- You will be notified when the incident(s) have been resolved and action has been taken.
- Emotional support for your child will be offered, as needed.

Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plan

The complete Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plan can be found on the Districts' website (www.mtrsd.org).

Mohawk Trail and Hawlemont Regional School Districts

Buckland/Shelburne Elementary
75 Mechanic Street
Shelburne Falls, MA 01370
(413) 625-2521

Colrain Central
22 Jacksonville Road
Colrain, MA 01340
(413) 624-3451

Sanderson Academy
808 Cape Street
Ashfield, MA 01330
(413) 628-4404

Mohawk Trail Regional Middle/High School
26 Ashfield Road
Shelburne Falls, MA 01370
(413) 625-9811

Hawlemont Elementary
10 School Street
Charlemont, MA 01339
(413) 339-8316



What Caregivers Should Know About Bullying

What is Bullying?

Bullying is the repeated use by any member of the community of a written, visual (including images), verbal, or electronic expression, or a physical act or gesture, or any combination thereof, directed at a target that:

- causes physical or emotional harm to the target or damage to the target's property
- places the target in reasonable fear of harm to him/herself, or of damage to his/her property
- creates a hostile environment at school for the target
- infringes on the rights of the target at school
- materially and substantially disrupts the education process or the orderly operation of a school.

What can caregivers do...

when your child is being targeted?

- Talk with your child in an effort to understand the situation.
- Reassure your child that it is not their fault and let them know you will work through the situation with them.
- Manage your own reactions to the situation.
- Remind your child that teachers and staff are allies and to speak up when they feel targeted.
- Contact the school immediately to help problem-solve the situation. Do not ignore the problem and hope it goes away.
- Work to find peaceful solutions. Ask your child what they think could be done.
- If bullying continues or escalates, contact the appropriate people again. Don't give up.

when your child is the bully?

- Talk with your child in an effort to understand the situation.
- Contact the school immediately. Do not ignore the problem and hope it goes away.
- Work with teachers and administrators.
- Attempt to identify peaceful solutions. Ask your child what they think could be done.
- Be persistent and don't give up on showing your child how they can make other choices.



How to Report Bullying

Call your child's school and report the incident to the principal.

Complaint Forms are available in the main office of each school.

Anonymous Bullying Report Forms are available electronically on the District's website (www.mtrsd.org).