



CAP's Bullying Prevention Program

Dear Parents:

During the next few weeks Farmingdale School will be participating in CAP's Bullying Prevention Program. As parents concerned about your children, we hope you will join with us in participating in this program.

The Bullying Prevention Program is a three-pronged approach to supporting a community initiative against bullying. The staff, parent and student workshops are integral components in this program.

The student workshop for grades K-8th will sensitize young people to the problems and consequences of bullying to all members of their community not just the victims. Students' opinions on current bullying behaviors and attitudes will be reviewed and analyzed by presenters. This valuable information will play a critical role in discussing their perceptions of current responses, attitudes, and policies on bullying. They will create a list of their suggestions for decreasing bullying which will be communicated to administrators. Finally, they will be given various resources that will support and encourage them to create a community free from bullying.

Our parent program will be held on January 3, 2019 at 6:30PM. This 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. workshop considers the causes of peer-to-peer violence and bullying behaviors. What can our communities do to design and implement effective strategies to intervene and prevent bullying? The latest research will be cited and resource and informational materials distributed.

The success of this program depends on the support of the school community. Because we encourage children to share their experiences and concerns with adults, it is important for parents and school staff to be willing and able to respond to these concerns. As part of the Farmingdale community, we invite you to attend CAP's Bullying Prevention parent program.

Sincerely,