

Bullying prevention & education

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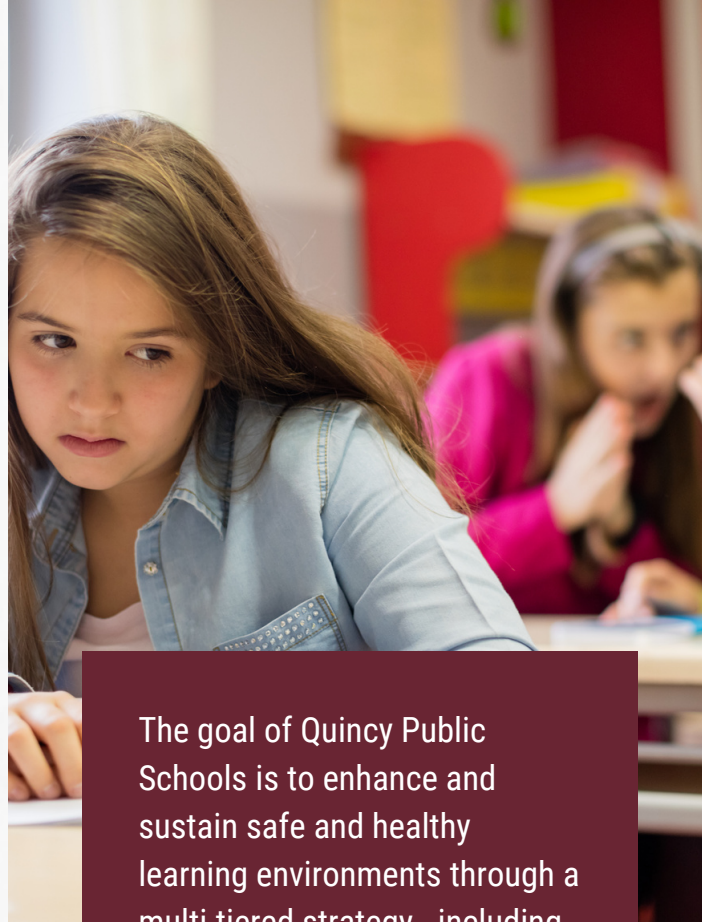
Quincy Public Schools has aggregated bullying prevention information—including the district's Bullying Prevention Plan, an anonymous bullying reporting form, and educational resources—on the QPS website.

Visit:

[www.quincypublicschools.com/
bullying_prevention](http://www.quincypublicschools.com/bullying_prevention)

For more information on the district's bullying prevention and intervention efforts, contact:

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The goal of Quincy Public Schools is to enhance and sustain safe and healthy learning environments through a multi-tiered strategy - including prevention, effective and compassionate intervention, and community-wide social promotion. A safe learning environment is one in which every student develops emotionally, academically, and physically in a caring and supportive atmosphere free of intimidation and abuse.



Quincy Public Schools

Bullying and Retaliation Prevention & Intervention

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What is **Bullying?**

Bullying is “the repeated use by one or more students or by a member of the school staff including, but not limited to an educator, administrator, school nurse, cafeteria worker, custodian, bus driver, athletic coach, advisor to an extracurricular activity or a paraprofessional of a written, verbal, or electronic expression or a physical act or gesture or any combination thereof, directed at a target by the perpetrator that:

- i. causes physical or emotional harm to the target or damage to the target’s property;
- ii. places the target in reasonable fear of harm to himself or herself or of damage to his or her property;
- iii. creates a hostile environment at school for the target;
- iv. infringes on the rights of the target at school; or
- v. materially and substantially disrupts the education process or the orderly operation of a school.”

Source: M.G.L. c. 71, § 370



Bullying, cyberbullying, and retaliation are prohibited on school grounds, property immediately adjacent to school grounds, at school-sponsored or school-related activities, functions or programs (whether on or off school grounds), at bus stops, on school busses or other vehicles owned or operated by the Schools or their contractors, or through the use of technology or electronic devices owned, leased or used by Quincy Public Schools.

Bullying is most likely to happen in hallways, bathrooms, playgrounds and cafeterias at school. QPS offers Social Emotional Learning (SEL) curriculum and training to staff and volunteers in order to improve our intervention and interactions everywhere in our schools.

This allows us to stop bullying, cyberbullying and retaliation when we see it.

Reporting

How do I report bullying, cyberbullying, or retaliation?

Students, parents/guardians, or other community members may tell any adult at the school building about an incident. You may report this in-person, by writing a note, sending an email, or leaving a voicemail message. The adult you tell will report the incident to the building principal and complete the required forms.

You can also report bullying, cyberbullying and retaliation by completing our **anonymous** Bullying Reporting Form available at: www.quincypublicschools.com/bullying_prevention or by calling the Senior Director of Student Support Services at 617-984-8898.

