

Make a Difference! Leadership Skills That Will Change Your Child's Life & School

Is it possible for Windsor Middle School students to treat each other with kindness and respect? One of the most frustrating facts about bullying is that the vast majority of these actions are done in front of an audience of other kids-88% of the time, according to one study. When students do step forward however, it stops at least half the bullying! Bystanders, then, represent a major opportunity: convert more of them into "upstanders" or allies of the target of bullying, and you could reduce mistreatments by half and create a climate that is more kind and respectful.

We are in our second year of Safe School Ambassadors (SSA) program. This nation-wide program has made a difference for many schools, increasing attendance rates and decreasing the suspension rates. Has your child ever been called a name? Been excluded? Been mistreated in some way by their peer(s)? You may be interested in how this program can help. Does your child have leadership ability? Does your child want to make a difference in helping others? You may be interested in SSA.

You are invited to join us for an engaging and informative 1.5 hr. workshop to find out more about the SSA program on Wednesday, April 12th from 6:00-7:30pm at Windsor Middle School and an optional 30 minute discussion with the principal and counselors afterwards (food & childcare provided). The workshop includes getting informed on relational aggression (gossiping, hurtful pranks, name calling and put downs) and cyber-bullying. The co-founder, Rick Phillips will be presenting!

RSVP ASAP to Elsa Vera, 837-7737 ext. 8113.

If you have questions please contact Paolo Breschi, 837-7737 ext. 8204 or email-pbreschi@wusd.org. Look for WMS and this event on our website and facebook.

If you would like to check the website and videos for SSA & Community Matters go to:
<http://community-matters.org/>

Videos:

A 3 minute clip on "The Today Show" talking about Safe School Ambassadors:

<http://community-matters.org/news-and-media/watch/safe-school-ambassadors-featured-on-the-today-show>

This is general information on SSA at the middle school level:

<http://community-matters.org/news-and-media/watch/introduction-to-ssa-middle-school>