

St. Mary's School

**4 Myrtle Street
Melrose, MA 02176**

STUDENT ANTI-BULLYING PLEDGE

We, the students of St. Mary's School, agree to join together to stamp out bullying at our school.

We believe that everybody should enjoy our school equally, and feel safe, secure and accepted regardless of color, race, gender, popularity, athletic ability, intelligence, religion, or nationality.

Bullying can be pushing, shoving, hitting and spitting, as well as name calling, picking on, making fun of, laughing at, and excluding someone. Bullying causes pain and stress to victims and is never justified or excusable as "kids being kids," "just teasing," or any other rationalization. The victim is never responsible for being the target of a bully.

By signing this pledge, I agree to:

1. Value student differences and treat others with respect.
2. Not become involved in bullying incidents nor be a bully.
3. Be aware of the school's policies and support system with regard to bullying.
4. Report honestly and immediately all incidents of bullying to a faculty member.
5. Be alert in places around the school where there is less adult supervision such as bathrooms, corridors and stairwells.
6. Support students who have been or are subjected to bullying.
7. Talk to teachers and parents about concerns and issues regarding bullying.
8. Work with other students and faculty to help the school deal with bullying effectively.
9. Encourage teachers to discuss bullying issues in the classroom.
10. Provide a good role model for younger students and support them if bullying occurs.
11. Participate fully and contribute to assemblies and discussions concerning bullying.

I acknowledge that whether I am being a bully or I see someone being bullied, I am equally guilty if I do not report or stop the bullying.

SIGNED: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

DATE: _____

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PARENT ANTI-BULLYING PLEDGE

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By signing this pledge, I agree to:

1. Keep our children and ourselves informed and aware of school bullying policies
2. Work in partnership with the school to encourage positive behavior, valuing differences and promoting sensitivity to others.
3. Discuss regularly with our children their feelings about schoolwork, friendship, and relationships.
4. Inform faculty of changes in our child's behavior or circumstances at home that may change a child's behavior in school.
5. Alert faculty if any bullying has occurred.

SIGNED: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

DATE: _____