

Rights and Responsibilities for a Bully Free Society

I have the **right** to not be bullied or physically hurt and the **responsibility** to learn ways of resolving conflict peacefully.

I have the **right** to not be called hurtful names and the **responsibility** to understand what would make me want to call others hurtful names.

I have the **right** to not be picked on because I do not belong to a certain group and the **responsibility** to understand what it means to belong to a "group."

I have the **right** to not be made fun of because I am "different" and the **responsibility** not to pick on others for what I have been taught to think are different.

I have the **right** to not be bullied because of race, gender, sexual orientation or culture and the **responsibility** to educate myself about why this happens.

I have the **right** to not be bullied because of my physical appearance and the **responsibility** to not pick on myself for what I think others may think of me.

I have the **right** to not be teased because I am not as smart as other people and the **responsibility** to educate myself to be as intelligent as I can be.

I have the **right** to not be bullied because I am not as athletic as others and the **responsibility** to find other endeavors that give me a sense of well being.

I have the **right** not to be bullied because I am smaller or weaker and the **responsibility** to find ways that will strengthen me.

I have the **right** to learn the skills to understand and handle bullies without hurting or being hurt and the **responsibility** to teach others these skills so they will not get bullied.

I have the **right** to protect myself from harm and the **responsibility** to use these skills humanely.

Every child everywhere has a basic **right** to be treated with respect and the **responsibility** in turn to respect all others.