

Announcing the Bullying.org, "**Caring Kids**" Awards!



Current research tells us that most bullying happens when peers are together and adults are not. We also know that most bullying will stop in less than 10 seconds, when others get involved and befriend those who are being bullied. This is easy to say, but often very difficult to do, especially for young people. Bullying.org wants to help change this.

Do you know a young person, age 18 or younger who is consistently making a difference in their school or community through acts of kindness, tolerance and respect for others?

We want to hear about often-unrecognized young people who are the everyday "quiet heroes" who regularly lead through action and example. We want to hear about those kids who will sit with, and are a friend to someone who often sits alone on the school bus. We want to learn about those kids who go out of their way to welcome someone who is new to their school, community or sports team without being asked or urged to. We want to celebrate young people, who have the courage not to stand by, but will be a friend to others who are being bullied, taunted, purposely left out, or ignored by others. You know the kind of kids we mean, they don't do these things for recognition, attention, or awards. They act this way because they know it is the right thing to do. We want to honour these kids because we believe that young people have a very important leadership role to play in making our schools and communities safer, more respectful, tolerant and more caring places in which to learn, work, play and live.

Parents, teachers, principals, counselors, teachers-aids, school bus drivers, sport coaches, librarians, custodians and fellow students can nominate a young person for the "Caring Kids" award. Awards should be presented at a school assembly at the beginning of Bullying Awareness Week or during another appropriate school recognition assembly.

To nominate a young person, please simply tell us their story in one page or less. Nominations can be e-mailed to [bullying@gmail.com](mailto:bullying@gmail.com). No self-nominations please. Winners' names and stories will be posted the "Caring Kids Web of Fame" on the [www.bullying.org](http://www.bullying.org) Web site.

