

Be a Mentor: Help Stop Bullying



Bullying is defined as...

- The act of one person using strength or status to infringe on another person
- Insulting and threatening physical harm, ostracism, or infringing on the rights of others



Forms of Bullying

- Humiliation
- Name calling
- Peer to peer
- Authority over subject
- Rank and position
- Enslavement
- The aware over the unaware/usury*
- Using knowledge over the ignorant*



The Definition of Mentor

- Mentor means, a wise and trusted counselor or teacher
- The word Mentor originally was a proper noun, some one's name
- Mentor was adviser, counsel, guide and teacher of Odysseus/Ulysses and Telemachus
- Odysseus was a Greek hero from Homer's Iliad and later the Odyssey



My first mentors

- My sisters (My mentors and tormentors)
- “G” and “Big Man”
 - Entrepreneur (Hustler)
 - Pharmaceutical Distributor (Dope man)
 - Procurer (Pimp)
 - Gangster’s Life



Mentor vs. Tormentor

Mentors

- Advocate
- Challenge
- Council
- Encourage
- Facilitate
- Guide

Tormentors

- Accuse
- Berate
- Detract
- Enrage
- Abuse, Misuse and Use
- Mislead

My First Real Mentor

- Dr. Ralph Dowe, Director. Wheeler Boys and Girls Club



My Second Mentor

- Father Boniface Hardin, OSB. Founder of Martin University, Indianapolis



My Current mentor

- Dr. Mari Evans
- Award winning poet, playwright and author, including a Tony nomination for the musical "Eyes" (an adaptation of Their Eyes Were Watching God (by Zora Neale Hurston





Check your life before you wreck a life

- Identify youth you know who look up to you
- Model personal, educational and professional excellence
- Mentors do not have to be older
- Look for someone you can emulate
- Take responsibility for influencing others
- Take responsibility for choosing a mentor