

Building Resiliency and Healthy Relationships among Saskatchewan Youth

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Objectives:

- Bullying in Canada
- To understand characteristics of successful mental health interventions that are durable and scalable.
- To provide strategies to overcome barriers and potential weaknesses of scaling up program interventions in diverse communities.
- To share successful, research based initiatives that have been implemented in a variety of communities, school districts, and states.



Bullying can be:

- Verbal
- Social
- Physical
- Sexual
- Cyber

(Government of Saskatchewan, 2019).



Bullying in Canada;

- At least 1 in 3 adolescent students in Canada have reported being bullied recently.
- Approximately 40% of adolescents report that they both bully others and are bullied.
- 22% of students reported being the target of at least one form of cyberbullying and 30% report cyberbullying others.

- Over half of bullied children do not report being bullied to a teacher.
- Almost 70% of the children reported witnessing at least one form of bullying at least once in the past 3 weeks (Saskatchewan Government, Ministry of Education, p.12, 2013).



Saskatchewan Alliance for Youth and Community Well Being Survey (SAYCW)

 2 out 3 (65%) of students experienced at least one type of bullying in the past year"

- "41% of students experienced bullying in the past month"
- "1 out 5 (19%) of students considered suicide in the past 12 months"

(SAYCW, p. 27, 2016).



Successful Research Based Initiatives

- Maintain
- Long term
- Capacity
- Support



Program Interventions

- Diverse Communities
- Adaptable
- Equipment
- Skill building



Evidenced Based Interventions

- CASEL "Provides a systematic framework for evaluating the quality of classroom based Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) programs (Collaborative for Academic Social and Emotional Learning, p. 4, 2012).
- Well designed, offer practice and multi year programming options.
- Ongoing support
- Evidenced based



Questions?

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