Student Rights in Schools

• Equal treatment of all students by teachers and administrators
• Personal religious practice:
  • Clothing, holidays, prayer
• Right to participate and create in religious student groups
• Protection from harm:
  • Physical safety on school premises
  • Harassment and teasing

Identifying Bullying

• Physical Bullying — poking, pushing, hitting, kicking, punching
• Verbal Bullying — yelling, teasing, name-calling, insulting, threatening to harm
• Social/Indirect Bullying — ignoring, excluding, spreading rumors, telling lies, getting others to hurt someone
• Cyberbullying — tormenting, threatening, harassing, humiliating, embarrassing, or otherwise targeting using the Internet, interactive and digital technologies, or mobile phones

What to do if you are teased, harassed or bullied?

• Tell an adult whom you trust about what happened. This person could be a:
  – Parent
  – Teacher
  – School Administrator
  – Coach
  – Spiritual Leader
• If bullying continues, take steps to end it by working with an adult
• Understand that it is not your fault
• Take extra steps to feel good about yourself
• Get the support you need to feel better
  – Talk to the school counselor
• Act like Muhammad Ali and appear as confident as you can

INGYouth Resources

• INGYouth Webpage: ing.org/youth
• Answers to Frequently Asked Questions about Islam & Muslims: https://ing.org/youth-faq
• PowerPoint presentations about Islam & Muslims
  – Getting to know American Muslims & their Faith: https://ing.org/youth-gtkam
  – A History of American Muslims: https://ing.org/youth-history
  – Muslim Contributions to Civilization: https://ing.org/youth-contributions
  – Muslim Women Beyond the Stereotypes: https://ing.org/youth-women
• Anti - Bullying Support and Resources: https://ing.org/youth-support