



ACTIVITY: GRADES 6-8

Unity Day Poster-Making

Help your students spread the word that bullying is not okay.

Held on the third or fourth Wednesday of National Bullying Prevention Month in October, Unity Day gives students, teachers, and families the chance to show support for bullying prevention in schools and communities.

In this activity, students will help define what unity is, then they'll collaborate on creating posters that can be hung throughout the school to show that working together can help stop bullying.

Materials

Poster board or large paper (one sheet for each pair of students), markers, crayons, colored pencils, etc.

Instructions

1. Have students pair up (assign pairs if necessary).
2. Look up this year's date for Unity Day on PACER's National Bullying Prevention website: pacer.org/bullying/nbpm/unity-day.asp. Tell students: **October (date) is Unity Day. We're going to make posters to put up around school so everyone will know that Unity Day is coming.**
3. Ask: **What does the word "unity" mean?** Write students' ideas on the board. If necessary, prompt students with your own idea of what unity means.

4. Tell students: **Your Unity Day poster should have the following elements:**

- **The color orange (Unity Day's official color)**
- **The words "Unity Day is October (date)"**
- **A reminder to wear orange on Unity Day**
- **A message about uniting against bullying**

5. Have students refer to the list on the board for words and phrases they can use in their posters. Have students draw pictures on the posters that depict unity and uniting against bullying.
6. Hang the posters throughout the school leading up to Unity Day.

Visit pacer.org/bullying/nbpm/unity-day.asp for more information, activity ideas, and details about Unity Day.