



# ***SAFETY BRIEF: TEACHERS***

## **MBF TEEN SAFETY MATTERS** SAFETY RULES



**KNOW WHAT'S UP**



**SPOT RED FLAGS**



**MAKE A MOVE**



**TALK IT UP**



**NO BLAME | NO SHAME**

**MBF Teen Safety Matters helps schools meet statute and policy requirements for abuse and bullying prevention education:**

- » Many states and school districts mandate bullying, cyberbullying, and abuse prevention education. The MBF Teen Safety Matters program is a comprehensive program that will satisfy these requirements.
- » The program is also aligned with many Education Standards, Health Education Standards, and the American School Counselor Association Mindsets and Behaviors Standards.

**MBF Teen Safety Matters is essential to teach to students because:**

- » 1 out of 4 children will be bullied and 1 out of 5 children will be cyberbullied
- » 1 out of 10 children will be sexually abused before their 18th birthday
- » 9 out of 10 children between ages 8 and 16 have viewed pornography online
- » 1 out of 7 children ages 10 to 17 have been sexually solicited online

We understand the overarching goal of schools is to educate children. However, The National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN) says one out of every four children attending school has been, or will be, exposed to a traumatic event that can affect learning or school behavior. "In fact," Ziegler (2012) says, "trauma may constitute the greatest cause of underachievement in schools."

**The MBF Teen Safety Matters Program:**

- » Is a comprehensive, research-based, and developmentally appropriate sixth through eighth grade primary prevention education program that effectively educates and empowers students, schools, adults, and communities with information and strategies to prevent bullying, cyberbullying, child abuse, relationship abuse, digital abuse, and other digital dangers.
- » Teaches students with a fun classroom program including activities, games, and appealing take-home reinforcement items.
- » Utilizes best practices from polyvictimization research that support the efficacy of comprehensive, school-based child abuse and bullying prevention programs. For more information, visit [www.polyvictimization.org](http://www.polyvictimization.org).
- » Is supported by many subject matter experts and partner organizations, and is trusted by parents and schools.
- » Learn more at [www.mbfchilidsafetymatters.org](http://www.mbfchilidsafetymatters.org).

Gulf Coast Kid's House is proud to present Teen Safety Matters™. Learn more at [gulfcoastkidshouse.org](http://gulfcoastkidshouse.org) or call (850) 595-5800.