



## National Bullying Prevention Month

The Board of Education  
Pittsburg Unified School District

Resolution #18-08

**WHEREAS**, the Pittsburg Unified School District Board of Education supports the right of students to attend schools that are safe and free from violence, harassment, all forms of bullying and discrimination by increasing awareness of the prevalence and impact of bullying; and

**WHEREAS**, October is National Bullying Prevention Month where we observe the need for development, implementation, and monitoring of policies and programs that address all forms of bullying including physical, verbal, covert and cyberbullying, and encourage our schools to educate students, parents and others about their role in bullying prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, various researchers have concluded that bullying is the most common form of violence affecting children and has devastating effects such as school avoidance, loss of self-esteem, increased anxiety and depression; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential to achieving the mission of public education that students are provided a safe and healthy school environment that ensures both the physical and emotional safety of students and staff and creates the conditions necessary to foster academic achievement; and

**WHEREAS**, our school district has a responsibility to ensure a safe school environment that is free of intimidation and harassment and to create safe school communities by implementing strategies and programs that address all forms of bullying; and

**WHEREAS**, cyberbullying can include harassment, impersonation, denigration, and exclusion, and can have a harmful impact on the school environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the most effective approach to creating safe school environments requires a comprehensive, coordinated effort where schools and the district as a whole accept responsibility for their critical roles and collaborate to establish a positive environment for teaching and learning; now, therefore, let it be resolved,

**RESOLVED**, that the Pittsburg Unified School District Board of Education recognizes **October as National Bullying Prevention Month** and does hereby adopt this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby request that the Superintendent hereby brings back information to the Board of Education about the District's current and future actions to foster and supportive a positive, respectful school climate that is free from harassment, bullying, discrimination and violence for all students enrolled in a school within the district.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby request that the Superintendent to post a copy of this resolution at each school site within the school district's boundaries.

**Passed and Adopted**, on January 24, 2018, at a regular meeting of the Board of Education by the following vote:

AYES:	5	(Arenivar, Canciamilla, Miller, Smith, Woolridge) (Elam – Student Member)
NOES:	0	
ABSTAIN:	0	
ABSENT:	0	

  
De'Shawn Woolridge, Board President