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ANTI-BULLYING AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION RESOURCES AT TVO

The following is a list of TVO programming that relates to anti-bullying and violence prevention in our youth. Unless otherwise stated, please contact **TVOntario's Sales Department** at 416-484-2613 or at www.tvontario.org/sales to purchase.

THE VIEW FROM HERE: ANGRY GIRLS

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"Angry Girls" - This documentary looks at teenage girls living in Toronto's inner core, raised in shelters and housing projects. They feel so isolated and disconnected that joining a clique or a gang becomes the only way to belong. For them, violence is empowerment. The film looks at the sources of their violence-racial tension, family problems as well as some of the programs that help them cope and overcome their destructive behaviour.

Additional programming relating to this documentary: Watch a panel discussion about Angry girls with filmmaker Shelley Saywell and Elaine Robinson. Please see More to Life (905076) on page 2.

To purchase a copy of Angry Girls, please contact McNabb and Connolly at 1-866-722-1522 or via e-mail at mcnabbconnolly@homeroom.ca. To get the free teacher's resources to accompany this documentary, please sign up for TVO for TEACHERS E-Newsletter at www.tvo.org/learnwithtvo before Dec 5th 2004.

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Angry Girls Phone In: Ian Brown moderates a phone-in panel discussion that follows the premiere of Angry Girls with filmmaker Shelley Saywell. She is joined by Donna Reid, Program Manager of Community Youth Outreach of Central Toronto Youth Services and Elaine Robinson, a youth worker who turned her life around and who is now helping other teenagers do the same. They will discuss why the film was made, what are some of the underlying causes of the girls' anger and aggression and role contemporary culture plays in creating their anger.

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**MORE TO LIFE**905076

A recent StatsCan report found that girls as young as 12 are increasingly involved in violent crime. The murder of Reena Virk in B.C. and reports of girl gangs led filmmaker Shelley Saywell to turn the spotlight on this disturbing trend. Her documentary “Angry Girls” offers a chilling portrait of troubled girls. Elaine Robinson, a youth worker from Scarborough who runs programs for at-risk youth is also a guest.

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The schoolyard bully was once thought to be a pretty innocuous guy – a rascal, a ruffian. And being bullied was believed to be a normal part of childhood, even a rite of passage. But today, bullying is regarded as interpersonal violence and an important public health issue. Guests are two women who have studied bullying and its consequences are York University professor Debra Pepler of the LaMarsh Centre for Research on Violence and Conflict Resolution and Faye Mishna, an associate professor of social work at the University of Toronto.

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Jay Solomon is a bullying expert. Not only does he understand the reasons underlying it, but he was also a victim of bullying. Jay is a 21-year old student at York University and he's the Youth Coordinator of the Canadian Initiative for the Prevention of Bullying. He's also the author of "Being Bullied: You're Not Alone." Jay spends his free time visiting schools, community centres and parent groups to discuss bullying and what we can do to eliminate it.

884069

The Ontario Safe Schools Act has been in place for two years now. Has it helped to reduce violence and bring more discipline into our schools? More to Life's education columnist Wili Liberman will be here with some answers and he'll explain the drastic measures one jurisdiction is taking to stop truancy.

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In the school year 2000-2001, 25% of Ontario kids in grades 7-12 were bullied by their peers. In most of those cases, it wasn't reported to an adult. For parents, this is a frightening statistic. And it's only the beginning. Very often the bullied becomes the bully and the cycle of violence continues. But there is help. Best-selling author and parenting expert Barbara Coloroso will be here to take all your parenting calls and to teach us how to stop bullying. There is also a phone-in portion.

855670

Many Ontario parents search for the right advice and the right tools when their child is being bullied at school. 25% of Ontario's students in grades 7-12 consider themselves victims of bullying. A recent survey found one in ten students have considered suicide in the last 12 months. Parenting expert Barbara Coloroso has recently released a new resource for parents; her book is called The Bully, the Bullied and the Bystander. We'll tackle bullying from all three perspectives.

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**PLANET PARENT**829385

Bullies: every schoolyard has at least one. While it was once dismissed as harmless fooling around, bullying is now being taken more seriously. We hear from 11 year old Khaddre, a former bully, and his Mom. Expert Dr. Diane Sacks, President of the Canadian Pediatric Society, along with school principals, Marita Adams and Linda Armstrong, who offer their insights into the innovative bullying-prevention program: Roots of Empathy.

829337

How to deal with peer pressure: It's one of the most powerful forces in our kids' lives, and it starts from a very early age. Some analysis and tips on dealing with the peer pressure that comes to bear on our children. With Educator Barbara Coloroso, author of "The Bully, The Bullied, and The Bystander".

829327

Feature: Cliques Every school has an "in crowd" and whether or not a child is member, they are highly organized and very political and have an influence on both those inside and outside of the group. With a focus on girls' cliques, this feature profiles kids, parents and experts who break down the structure, rules and power of this fascinating social phenomenon. It includes interviews with Rosalind Wiseman, author of "Queen Bees and Wannabes" and Rachel Simmons author of "Odd Girl Out".

STUDIO 2905319**LITTLE PEOPLE, BIG HEARTS**

Teasing and bullying can have a devastating effect on students. The Canadian Half Pints is a group of performers who know about teasing first hand -- because they're all little people. Studio 2 went along as they visited schools where their offbeat brand of basketball is used to help sell their anti-bullying message. Also, visit the Canadian Half Pints' website at www.canadianhalfpints.com

854984**ODD GIRL OUT**

With concern growing over the degree of schoolyard bullying in Ontario schoolyards, Rachel Simmons's book, "Odd Girl Out: The Hidden Culture of Aggression in Girls," studies the mental and physical abuse that girls inflict upon their victims.

854927**BULLYING**

Tonight, analysis of another report on the extent of bullying taking place in schools and among teens and the psychological impact it has on victims, other students, and their families. Guests: Dr. Miriam Kaufman, Dr. Debra Pepler.

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**STUDIO 2 continued**854914**SHAPE OF A GIRL**

Playwright Joan MacLeod takes audiences back to their turbulent teenage days in her latest and highly acclaimed play "The Shape of a Girl." The play highlights the usual teen angst, but also the increasingly common phenomenon of female bullying

854914**BULLIES & CRIME**

A survey released by the University of Toronto reveals that 80% of male high school students and 55% of female high school students have already been physically assaulted in their lives. An analysis of youth violence in schools.

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