## **Definition according to the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights** (adopted 9/1/11)

## ALLENDALE Public Schools

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## Bullying is:

- Incidents, either on or off school grounds, which disrupt or interfere with the orderly operation of the school or the rights of other students; and
- Create a "hostile educational environment" by interfering with a student's education; or
- Severely or pervasively cause physical or emotional harm to the student.

It is important to note that bullying is **NOT** the same as a code of conduct infraction.



- The week beginning with the first Monday in October of each year is designated as a "Week of Respect" in the State of New Jersey .
  - School districts must observe the week by providing ageappropriate instruction focusing on preventing HIB
- All faculty and staff are required to complete the Safe Schools module on HIB.
- Throughout the school year the school district must provide ongoing ageappropriate instruction on preventing HIB in accordance with the core curriculum content standards.
- Lessons focusing on the monthly character education theme are integrated into the curriculum at each grade level.
- School Safety Team meetings are held at least twice per year.
- Other activities at the discretion of the educational team, Anti-Bullying Specialists, Character Education Committee and/or School Safety Team.