SEXUAL HARASSMENT-7TH GRADE HPMS

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WHAT IS SEXUAL HARASSMENT?

- Unwanted or unwelcome attention of a sexual nature
- Demeaning, embarrassing
- Illegal
- Both males and females can be victims

TYPES OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

- *Verbal
- *Visual
- *Physical

WHAT IS VERBAL HARASSMENT?

- Conversations that are too personal
- Rating/commenting on someone's body
- Jokes of a sexual nature
- Sexual suggestions, comments
- Making fun of someone's sexual preference (Gay, Lesbian, Straight)
- Making negative comments about someone's family member or friend who is gay
- Saying things like "That's So Gay"

WHAT IS VISUAL HARASSMENT?

- Obscene gestures
- Displaying obscene pictures
- Online-FaceTime,
 Skype, Snapchat
- Sexting- Permanent, Illegal,













WHAT IS PHYSICAL HARASSMENT?

- Preventing someone from moving freely
- Kissing against his or her will
- Flagging/Pantsing
- Grabbing/touching



SEXUAL HARASSMENT VS. FLIRTING

Harassment

Flirting

Equal, respectful

Feel powerless

Feel in control

Feels comfortable

Intimidating, upsetting

Illegal

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION IMPORTANT TO STUDENTS?

- According to national study of teens and preteens in public schools:
- 80% of females and 60% of males experienced sexual harassment while in school-that's a LOT of kids!
- You can get in BIG trouble at school for sexual harassment
- There is even a Federal Law to protect you and your rights in school when it comes to sexual harassment and discrimination, its called <u>Title IV</u>

SO...IF IT'S HAPPENING TO YOU:

Please DO:

*Tell the person that is bothering you that you don't like it and you want it to stop.

*Tell and adult who can help: teacher, counselor, administrator, parent, or other trusted adult

Please DON'T

*Ignore it

*Hurt the person or react with violence