



Dear Educators,

Teen dating violence is more common than anyone wants to believe. Too many teenagers are not aware of the signs of unhealthy relationships or where to go for help. RESPOND, Inc. looks to help educate your students and staff on teen dating violence (TDV). If you haven't already incorporated this topic into your curriculum, RESPOND would love to help you do so. As a former teacher and school administrator myself, I am passionate about finding ways to connect to students and teach them about safe, healthy relationships. Any school programs will be customized to fit your population and needs. Here are some of the possibilities:

- **Presentations-** We can design one or more presentations for large groups that address healthy relationships, define TDV, warning signs, and offer alternatives and support for your students.
- **Classes or Workshops-** Let us join a health class or other setting where we can go further into the topics surrounding TDV through interactive discussion and activities.
- **Training-** Student leaders and staff can all benefit from knowing about TDV, how to recognize it, and how to help others.
- **Clubs and Societies-** If you have any extracurricular groups that are interested in learning more or providing a safe, supportive environment for discussion, we can provide help.
- **Lunch Tabling-** A more informal way to engage the students may be to have a table with information or to invite small groups to talk with our staff.
- **Parent Education-** We can prepare a presentation or workshop that is designed to help parents and other adults better understand TDV and how to support their children.

RESPOND partners with individuals, families and communities to end the serious public health issue of domestic violence and teen dating violence. A pioneer in the movement to end domestic violence, RESPOND strives to achieve its mission through prevention, intervention, and education services that promote safe, healthy relationships. Our organization has provided life-saving shelter, support services, training and education programs to more than 150,000 members of the community for over 40 years. We hope that your community will be the next to partner with us to prevent teen dating violence.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to discuss possible services that we may provide for you. I can be contacted at 617.623.5900 or jennifer@respondinc.org. We want to provide the best educational experience for your students and staff, and we look forward to partnering with you in any ways we can.

Sincerely,

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