

Student Advisory Committees

Student leaders develop materials promoting respect, conduct violence and harassment prevention campaigns, sponsor speakers at all school assemblies, and come together for multi-school events.

S.A.V.E
Students Against Violent Environments

S.P.A.R.C.
Students Preventing Abusive Relationships Committee

T.A.H.B.
Teens Against Harrassing Behaviors



What is PAVE?

PAVE is a comprehensive violence prevention program, specializing in aligning with students to create environments of respect, responsibility, and courage.

Since 1993, Cornerstone's PAVE program has sought to raise awareness and understanding about the dynamics of abusive relationships, violence, anger, and harassment. Through education and relationship building, PAVE staff help strengthen students' social competencies, thus enhancing students' abilities to build their own healthy relationships.

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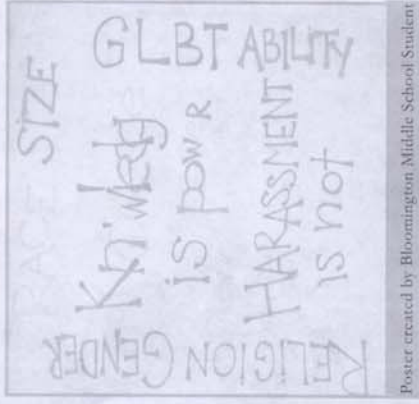
P.A.V.E.
Preventing Abuse and Violence
Through Education
Cornerstone's School Based
Violence Prevention Programs

PAVE's Educational and Supportive Services

Classroom Presentations

In 2004-2005 school year PAVE staff presented to more than 9,600 students about topics related to violence prevention. PAVE uses variety of teaching methods and materials for classroom presentations. PAVE staff are available to present in classrooms on topics such as:

- Dating Violence
- Anger Awareness
- Bullying and Harassment
- Building Healthy Relationships
- Sexual Harassment
- Effects of Domestic Violence on Children
- Media and Violence



Poster created by Bloomington Middle School Student

Individual Services

Advocacy & Educational Meetings • For students that have been impacted by anger, harassment, dating violence, or family violence.

Individual Mentorship • After-school and summer support with a safe adult who will listen and be an anchor and guide to youth experiencing difficulties in their relationships.

Re-entry Education • For students that have been accused of or suspended for aggressive behavior or harassment.

"Having someone to talk to has definitely made a difference in my life. When I started seeing a PAVE educator I was not doing well at all, I mean I was in a deep hole and couldn't get out. Now I have much more confidence and knowledge about my emotions and a better understanding of how to deal with my stressors. Thank you!"

-Anonymous student

Support and Educational Groups

Young Men's and Women's Anger Awareness Group • 8-10 week educational group for students who have been referred or wish to explore the dynamics of personal anger.

Gender Issues Discussion Group • A group that provides a safe place to discuss accountability, socialization, power and control, gender equality, harassment, dating, and change.

Mentorship Group • At-risk students meet with student mentors to provide an opportunity to build peer relationships. Cornerstone strives to be innovative and provide students experiential group activities including rock climbing, drumming, and creative art projects.

Peer Support Group • Time limited groups for students who have been affected by unhealthy relationships or family violence.

"I am really surprised how much PAVE helped. High school has been a rough ride. Without help I may not have made it."
-Eden Prairie High School Student