

Experts Weigh In on
THE ROLE OF SCHOOLS
IN BULLYING
AND CYBER-BULLYING



Community Forum
Samford University
Thursday, September 18
6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Welcome

Introduction - Dr. Phil Hammonds, retired Superintendent,
Jefferson County Schools

Dr. Yvette Richardson, State of Alabama Board of Education
member, District 4

Panelists

Dr. James T. Jeffers, retired Superintendent, Tallassee City
Schools

Dr. Craig Pouncey, Superintendent, Jefferson County Schools

Lisa Moyers, Alabama Safe Schools Coalition

Dr. Sherri Savage, Director, Guidance and Counseling,
Jefferson County Schools

Kerri Williamson, Training Director, National Association of
School Resource Officers (NASRO)

Carissa Anthony, Prevention and Development Coordinator,
Homewood City Schools

Daniel Fortune, U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of
Alabama

Pat Lynch, Bullying First Response Reporting Line

Rhonda Thomason, M.A., NBCT, Welcoming Schools
Regional Consultant

**more information on our panelists available at alabamaschoolconnection.org*

The Evolving Role of Schools

What is the role of schools in addressing bullying and cyber-bullying in our community?

We know that the entire community must work together to end bullying and cyber-bullying.

Tonight's discussion centers on the role of schools in these efforts and some of the ways schools are working to eliminate bullying at school.

Tonight, you will learn:

What the Student Harassment Prevention Act of 2009 requires of all school districts in Alabama, including:

- Adopting a board policy defining what harassment is,
- Defining procedures for addressing reports and incidents of harassment,
- Providing a form for students and parents to use to report harassment, and
- Reporting statistics of harassment in their schools

What harassment is and how it differs from bullying.

What to do, who to contact and what you can expect school officials to do if your child is bullied at school.

What to do, who to contact and what you can expect officials to do if your child is being cyber-bullied.

What can you do to end bullying and cyber-bullying in our community's schools?

Follow up questions/comments?

Contact Amy Sedlis, ajsedlis@gmail.com

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Resource materials will be posted online at <http://www.alabamaschoolconnection.org>



<http://alex.state.al.us/stopbullying/>

Community organizations and agencies sponsoring tonight's forum include:

