



Sunset Peer Mediation

What is Peer Mediation?

Peer Mediation is whereby student leaders are trained to guide students through a proven and defined process to help resolve conflicts when students are unable to solve their disagreement or conflict on their own. Disputes suitable for mediation include;

- Gossip and rumor spreading
- Insults
- Friendship problems
- Teasing
- Loss of property
- Confrontations that result from differences in race or culture
- Exclusion

Why?

The objective of having a Peer Mediation Program at Sunset is to address and resolve peer conflicts prior to these kind of disputes developing into bullying and/or harassment issues. By participating in this process, students gain skills and confidence to resolve future interpersonal conflicts on their own. Another positive outcome of this program is the fostering of a school climate that is safe and friendly for each and every student.

How?

Trained Peer Mediators are visible during lunch recess to help students fill out requests for a Peer Mediation. Students may also fill out a Peer Mediation Request form with the counselor or at the main office. As leaders at our school, Peer Mediators will also be involved and visible in other school sponsored activities to build the program and support other whole school Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS).