



Student Center Newsletter

Bayonne High School

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Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

This year, **Wear Orange For Love Day** is on February 12, 2018. Show you believe in healthy relationships by wearing something **orange**.

B.H.S. Teen Center has posted facts about “Dating Abuse” throughout the school. Look for our “**Orange Is For Love**” signs.

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How Common is Dating Abuse?

Dating abuse is a public health issue that affects people from all ages, backgrounds, and identities. However, among people who experience sexual violence, physical violence, and/or stalking, most experienced some form of intimate partner violence for the first time before the age of 25.

*In fact 1 in 3 young people experience some form of physical or sexual violence - which by any other standards would be called an **epidemic**.*

It is vitally important that we specifically speak to and understand the statistics involved with abuse in young people’s relationships. These statistics help to outline just how widespread of an issue dating abuse really is in the lives of young people.

REMINDER

Mid-year Parent Conferences are Thursday February 15th. We look forward to meeting parents who stop by the Student Center!

The Student Center is now on Twitter! Give us a follow!

[@bhs_sbysp](https://twitter.com/bhs_sbysp)



Types of ABUSE

Abuse comes in many forms.



Emotional/Verbal abuse
Non-physical behaviors such as threats, insults, screaming, constant monitoring, or isolation.



Financial abuse
Exerting power and control over a partner through their finances, such as taking or withholding money from a partner, or prohibiting a partner from earning



Stalking
Being repeatedly watched, followed, monitored or harassed. Occurs online or in person, & can include giving unwanted gifts.



Physical abuse
Any intentional use of physical touch to cause fear, injury, or assert control, such as hitting, shoving, & strangling.



Sexual abuse
Any sexual activity that occurs without willing, active, unimpaired consent, such as unwanted sexual touch, sexual assault (rape), & tampering with contraceptives



Digital abuse
Using technology to bully, stalk, threaten or intimidate a partner using texting, social media, apps, tracking, etc. .