

**PARCS SURVEY FINDINGS- Fall 2008  
 JORDAN MIDDLE SCHOOL  
 1060 students participated  
 147 filtered out**

**913 student responses reflected in data below**

**\*administration error resulted in some students completing the survey more than one time**

**BEHAVIORS**

Middle School students were asked to participate in a confidential and anonymous survey inquiring about their experiences and attitudes regarding bullying.

The following tables show percentages of students who have been bullied, never bullied or taken part in bullying others at least once in the previous 12 months, in any of the four ways: physically, verbally, socially or electronically.

Students who have been bullied at least once in the past 12 months	Fall 2008
physically	28.6%
verbally	54%
socially	43.5%
electronically	15.3%

Students who have never bullied anyone in the past 12 months	Fall 2008
physically	88.1%
verbally	75.7%
socially	75.7%
electronically	93.1%

Students who have taken part in bullying another student in the past 12 months	Fall 2008
physically	11.9%
verbally	24.3%
socially	24.3%
electronically	6.9%

The number of students who report having seen or heard students bully other students is notably greater than the number that report having been bullies or been bullied themselves.

The percentage of students who report having witnessed others being bullied in the past 12 months is presented in the chart below.

Students who have seen or heard others being bullied in the past 12 months	Fall 2008
physically	48%
verbally	70%
socially	65.3%
electronically	30.1%

Accurately perceiving being bullied:

	Never been bullied personally	Perception of most others never being bullied	misperception
physically	71.4%	30%	41.4%
verbally	46%	12.1%	33.9%
socially	56.5%	14.3%	42.2%
electronically	84.7%	31.6%	53.1%

A small percentage of students reported having bullied others or having been bullied once a week or more in the past 12 months. While the number of students impacted is low, these students represent populations of high concern.

**Once a week or more, these students have: Percentage Number**

Been bullied physically	<b>3%</b>	<b>22 students</b>
Been bullied verbally	<b>7.7%</b>	<b>57 students</b>
Been bullied socially	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>39 students</b>
Been bullied electronically	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>17 students</b>
Bullied others physically	<b>1.8%</b>	<b>13 students</b>
Bullied others verbally	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>16 students</b>
Bullied others socially	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>17 students</b>
Bullied others electronically	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>14 students</b>

**ATTITUDES**

Most JORDAN Middle School students do not think that bullying is normal behavior:

**56.1%** of JORDAN students do not agree (strongly disagree or disagree) that being *bullied* is just a normal part of being a kid. **19.9%** believe (strongly agree and agree) that it is okay.

**68.6%** of JORDAN students do not agree (strongly disagree or disagree) that being a *bully* is just a normal part of being a kid. **13.5%** believe (strongly agree or agree) that it is okay to be a bully.

Only **14%** of JORDAN students agree (strongly agree or agree) that many students get bullied because they deserve it.

Students report the following about their safety at school:

	1 (very unsafe)	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 (very safe)
Physically (%)	3.9	0.7	2.4	1.4	2.8	3.1	5.7	3.2	26.8	40.1
Physically (#)	28	5	17	10	20	22	41	95	193	288
Emotionally (%)	5.7	2.3	2.6	3.3	4.9	6.0	11.1	16.7	24.1	23.4
Emotionally (#)	40	16	18	23	34	42	78	117	169	164
729 students answered this question										

### THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

**51** students skipped school in the past 12 months because they were afraid of other students hurting them or making fun of them.

**76.3%** of JORDAN students report that in their group of friends, bullying is not okay.

**77.5%** of JORDAN students agree or strongly agree that they are "encouraged to help and respect other students."

**57.7%** of JORDAN students agree that "adults at this school are very helpful if you have a problem with other kids."

**39.3%** of students agree that if they are bullied, it is up to them to deal with it.

**65.2%** of students reported that they feel like they matter in this school

**74.5%** report that at JORDAN Middle School, they feel that they are a success.

**41.5%** of JORDAN students report that they feel very different from other students at school

**17.4%** agree that it is “hard for people like me to be accepted in this school.”

**79.1%** of JORDAN Middle School students did something kind for someone at school this week

**74.3%** saw another student do something kind for someone at school this week.

**76.1%** of students “feel that their teachers care about them.”

**76.5%** of students “feel that other students care about them.”

**77.8%** of students reported that “teachers really try to stop kids who are bullies.”

*61.5% of JORDAN students believe they have seen bullying take place at school in the past 12 months. Of those 61.5%, 51% have tried to stand up for or help another student who was being bullied at school. (At JORDAN only 75 kids who reported witnessing bullying did nothing to help the victim.)*