

October 11, 2017

President Lowell Levine
Stop Bullying Now foundation
9835-16 Lake Worth Rd. Suite 302
Lake Worth, FL 33467
Dear President Levine,

Many kids are affected daily by bullying. At Champion Elementary many kids are being hurt by bullying that takes place at the school. Many kids come home in tears because of events that have taken place at the school. This can drastically affect a child's day at school. It can even cause them to not want to go back to the school the next day. Many kids do not even tell their parents what is going on because they are too embarrassed to do so. I reach out to the Stop Bullying Now foundation because I truly believe that the kids at Champion Elementary deserve to learn and to have fun doing it. No kid should have to come to school feeling unsafe. The Stop Bullying Now foundation can help Champion Elementary kids feel safer at school by speaking to parents and teachers about addressing warning signs to look for. With the help of your foundation, the kids at Champion will be one step closer to having a safe environment 100% of the time.

The bullying rate in Volusia has increased throughout the years by 34%. This has been proven by Volusiacountyschools.org. The reason being is because many kids do not report the situation they are in. About 90% of the time the kids wait too long to tell their parents because they do not want to look like "tattle tales". Both the guidance counselor and the principal at Champion Elementary have reported that this is what is happening at their school. This is causing huge problems because parents are starting to find that kids no longer want to attend school. Some kids will start to cry before leaving their vehicle. The bullying can get to the point where the kid can start to view school as a chore instead of a fun learning opportunity. Not only can it cause that but it can also cause mental health issues in the kid when they grow up. Many schools do not know where to start with combating bullying, so advice like "just ignore it" or "try and be the bigger person and walk away" is given to the kids and it has proven to be ineffective. With the Stop Bullying Now foundation Champion will have a more effective way of handling the bullying, I know this because people who have received help from your organization have left wonderful reviews.

The project kidstart would like help students of Champion Elementary receive a happy, fun filled education by November 17. I will continue to update Champion Elementary on new updates that are given to me. It would be wonderful to help this school out because I went here and I was also a victim of bullying. All my contact information will be below. Thank you for taking time to read this.

My Email: naomi_kamau@daytonastate.edu

My Phone number: 386-405-0322

Professor: Dr. Lynn Hawkins Office number: 386-506-3905

email: lynn_hawkins@daytonastate.edu

Sincerely,

Naomi Kamau

