2013 GEORGIA MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT (Age 11-14 Years)

41% had ever been bullied on school property.

73% of students who had been electronically bullied had also been bullied on school property.

5% of students involved in a physical fight required treatment by a doctor or nurse.

18% had ever been electronically bullied.

55% had ever been in a physical fight either on or off school property.

30% had ever carried a weapon, such as a gun, knife, or club.

THE IDEA SPOT
- Reinforce positive social interactions and inclusiveness among students
- Create mission statement, code of conduct, school-wide rules, and bullying reporting system
- Establish a school safety committee to implement a school bullying prevention program
- Provide opportunities to actively engage families, and create open communication and decision-making processes

DATA SOURCE: The Georgia Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) monitors students’ health risks and behaviors in six categories: unintentional injury and violence, tobacco use, alcohol & other drug use, dietary behavior, & physical activity. The YRBS is conducted every two years among a representative group of Georgia public school students in grades 6-8.

GET INFORMED ABOUT STUDENT HEALTH: dph.georgia.gov/YRBS