

SUBMISSION No. 129

Dear Reader,

As informed and computer-savvy 14 and 15 year olds, my friend and I would like to propose to you a way that can stop this epidemic today known as Cyber-Bullying.

As you may know, as 14 and 15 year olds, we are smack bang in the middle of all the talk of cyber bullying, and are actually accessing websites daily such as Facebook and YouTube. It may seem like a big deal, but as people may not notice, websites such as Facebook and YouTube provide a very good service to stop Cyber-Bullying.

First of all, YouTube for example. YouTube provides a “block” button that immediately stops ALL contact with the person that is causing the havoc. People actually see through this “block” button. They may not notice it, or may have the need to actually confront the person when this is not necessary. Blocking a person is a very proficient way of stopping all contact with the person and/or ever speaking to them again. Bullying at school is a different matter, and not related to the Cyber-Bullying in these cases.

Facebook on the other hand, goes even further. They provide a “block” button similar to YouTube, which completely blocks ALL contact online, but goes a step further. If the person being hassled may want to keep this person as a friend; they can stop them from posting on their wall, liking their status’, and commenting on anything relating to them. This is the quickest way to block ALL contact online, and is an easy way to stop this Cyber-Bullying problem.

Again, although they may still be bullied at school, this is a different matter. We are concentrating on Cyber-Bullying.

Sincerely,

Nathan and James