

## 11/16 – pg 51-53 – Bullying

Review the writing prompt and your introduction on the issue of bullying (pg36). Complete the three body paragraphs and conclusion to this essay. Due – end of class Wed 11/17. Test thurs-fri 11/18-19.

11/17 – finish the Bullying essay and any other missing work in your notebook.

### Pg 36 -10/29 – Analyzing a Writing Prompt - Bullying

You belong to a school leadership group that is very concerned about bullying and the harmful effects it has on young people. The leadership group decides to address this concern by urging students to join the student alliance for tolerance and safety from bullies.

Write a persuasive essay for your school paper in which you convince readers of the importance of joining the student alliance for tolerance and safety. Convince your readers through the use of specific reasons and examples.

Thesis – Students should join the student alliance for tolerance and safety from bullies.

Reason – ...because bullying has harmful effects on young people.

Write an emotional anecdote for an introduction paragraph, then the claim.

People kill themselves from being bullied. Tyler Clementi was a sweet, innocent teenager. He thought he was finally free, in his college dorm room, to finally get some privacy and have some sex. Little did he know that his evil roommate would video his encounter with another man and broadcast it online. He felt very depressed and humiliated.

So, he jumped off the bridge. That's why bullying can be so harmful and why we need to join the student alliance for tolerance and safety.

### **EXAM 11/18 – 11/19 – CAHSEE STYLE ON DEMAND PERSUASIVE WRITING**

**You will be given a CAHSEE Writing prompt and 2 class periods to complete a persuasive essay that meets Writing standard 2.4 a-d (pg 48 of your notebook). Completed essays will be turned in to a substitute teacher at the end of class on Friday 11/19.**

**Enjoy your Thanksgiving break.**

### **Model of Body and Conclusion for Bullying**

Bullies harm people. This is a serious problem. They taunt, gossip, call names, threaten, text, post facebook, and sometimes even physically abuse or harass an innocent person who doesn't know how or can't defend themselves. When these innocent kids are victimized by those cruel pieces of human trash, they can grow seriously depressed. It affects them in many ways. A people magazine article I read told about many kids who turned to drugs, started failing at school, and some, including Pheobe Prince, Seth Walsh, and Asher Browne, kill themselves.

If we join together and form an alliance for tolerance and student safety, we can work to help the innocent victims and stop the bullies. We can start by giving the victims a group of friends they can turn to so they don't feel alone. They can have a safe place where they can go if the bully is after them. The alliance can study the issue of bullying and find out the best ways to help the victims stand up for themselves, while providing the needed safety of a group of friends for back-up.

Some people might think bullying isn't that serious or that it's up to the victim to stand up for themselves. I disagree. Nobody should have to go it alone. The good people of the school need to come together and stand up for the innocent against the evil bullies of the world.

We can do it. We can make Sylmar High school a safe place for everyone, where everybody is treated fairly and equally. All it takes is getting together and deciding to care. That's what the Student alliance for tolerance and safety is all about.