CONFIDENTIAL ADVOCACY A Unique Partnership to End the Cycle of Violence

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WHAT DOES AN ADVOCATE DO?

An advocate provides confidential support to PPS youth of all genders, connects them to resources, and walks alongside them regardless of whether they decide to formally report to law enforcement or participate in a school-based investigation under Title IX.

GUIDING PHILOSOPHY

This important collaboration between PPS, RH & VOA is based on a shared vision that everyone deserves to live a life free from violence. We believe that to reach our goal, we must start early in the K-12 years.

FREE & CONFIDENTIAL

Free, 100% confidential support for PPS students who experience abuse, sexual or dating violence. Unlike school staff, advocates are **not** mandatory reporters under the law.

ADVOCACY & TITLE IX

Title IX is a law that prohibits all forms of sexual harassment at school including sexual assault, dating violence & stalking. This also includes bullying or harassment that occurs online, on social media or using other forms of technology to intimidate, coerce or cause fear. Visit **www.pps.net/titleix** to

NON- JUDGEMENTAL

Advocates provide individualized, nonjudgmental support to help you develop coping strategies and can assist with safety planning, attend meetings or medical appointments with you and/or refer you to other resources.

EQUITABLE RELATIONSHIPS

Advocates empower students, teachers, and parents to change school culture, so everyone understands what healthy, equitable teen relationships look like and how to promote them.

SCHOOL PROGRAMMING

Dedicated to advocating for safe and equitable relationships through workshops, trainings, and peer-led programming throughout the Portland Metro area. Workshops are flexible and designed to meet the diverse needs of school communities.

learn more about your rights.



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YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO THROUGH THIS ALONE. ASK FOR HELP.

8 OUT OF 10 STUDENTS WILL BE SEXUALLY HARASSED BY A CLASSMATE DURING THEIR K-12 YEARS.



1 IN 3 ADOLESCENTS WILL BE A VICTIM OF PHYSICAL, SEXUAL, EMOTIONAL OR VERBAL ABUSE BY AN INTIMATE PARTNER.



SEXTORTION, AN EMERGING FORM OF HARASSMENT, IS WHEN SOMEONE THREATENS TO REVEAL INTIMATE IMAGES TO GET YOU TO DO SOMETHING YOU DON'T WANT TO DO.



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