

Grades 6-8

Doin' the Right Thing explores the relationships of three characters Natalie, PJ, and Malcolm. Natalie and PJ are childhood friends who are beginning to move in different social circles. Malcolm is a popular athlete who has decided to zero in on PJ. What initially looks like teasing quickly escalates into bullying. Natalie is caught in the middle and realizes that she must do something. Natalie and PJ try different things to put an end to the bullying. Ultimately they decide that the best thing to do is to tell an adult.

Major Learning Points:

- Define and identify the different types of bullying and its consequences
- Develop skills in empathy and identification with the target
- Learn why people bully and develop peaceful solutions to addressing the issue
- Understand the importance of the role of the bystander
- Establish a process for discussing and reporting bullying

Post-Performance Discussion:

Following the performance, the three actors/educators moderate an interactive discussion to help reinforce the educational points of the play.

Performance Logistics:

- Recommended maximum audience size is 300
- Program approximately one hour (includes show and discussion)
- 3 Lavalier microphones or 3 wireless microphones on thin metal stands
- Staff available to actors 30 minutes prior to performance and throughout the program

Additional Information:

A \$150 non-refundable deposit is due with the signed contract. Sponsor is to book all travel arrangements for the actors. If sponsor chooses to have DET make travel arrangements, all travel costs must be paid in full 60 days prior to the show date. DET accepts checks, credit cards and purchase orders as form of payment.

Deana's Educational Theater (DET) is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization DET was founded in 1994 by the family and friends of Deana Brisbois, a victim of dating violence. For more information about the play or any of Deana's Educational Theater performances, please contact us.

