



## **Grades 6- 8**

**Girl Chat** explores the relationships of three adolescent girls who play the roles of bully, target and bystander. Rachel caught in the middle between her childhood friend Beth and her new friendship with Tina. Tina is the “Queen Bee” of the school. Tina zeros in on Beth and launches into a campaign of verbal and emotional bullying by taunting Beth about her weight and humiliating her online and in school. As tensions escalate, Rachel needs to make a choice about what kind of person she wants to be. Although it is very difficult, Rachel is ultimately able to help both the bully and the target address their issues, seek advice from an adult, and take steps to end the bullying.

### **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
- 3 folding chairs
- 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. Sponsors book travel arrangements for 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 and/or programs please contact us.

