**The Wrongs of Cyberbullying**

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**Introduction**

Cyberbullying is when someone threatens another individual through social media sites such as Facebook and Twitter. No one is safe from it. A majority of people being cyberbullied do not report it to anyone. Most people who are cyberbullied are white. Cyberbullying is not a big topic that schools spend a lot of time on; however, many students are affected by it. Schools should be more proactive in preventing cyberbullying.

**Types of Cyberbullying**

- Cyber harassment is sending violating and offensive messages over and over to a person.
- Denigration is writing information about a person on social media that isn't true.
- Impersonation is when a person either makes a fake profile of another person or they steal that person’s password and poses as them.
- Outing and Trickery is when someone shares something so personal or embarrassing, and the person they shared it with emails or posts it online.
- Cyber stalking is going on another person’s page repeatedly and sending them harassing and threatening comments.
- Flaming is any argument done on social media.

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**Charts**

**Cyberbullying – vs – Bullying**

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<th>Bullying</th>
<th>Cyberbullying</th>
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<td>Face – to – face</td>
<td>24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days/year</td>
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<td>Can find a safe space or escape</td>
<td>No safe space – hard to escape</td>
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<td>Limited to onlookers</td>
<td>Shared by a wide audience – can go viral in a matter of seconds</td>
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<td>Bully can be identified</td>
<td>Bully can be anonymous</td>
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<td>Can see facial and body reaction of target and onlookers</td>
<td>Harder to empathize with the target</td>
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<td>No geographical limitations</td>
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**Findings**

This chart shows that cyberbullying is worse than regular bullying. Cyberbullying can happen at any time of the day. Everyone can see what’s going on, and anyone can be a target. Most of the time the “cyberbully” is anonymous.

**Conclusion**

Cyberbullying is a nationwide topic that not a lot of people know about. Cyberbullying should be stopped because it leads to teen suicide and increasing teen dropout rates. No one deserves to be bullied.

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