

**Information on Hazing, Harassment, Bullying, Suicide and Substance Abuse Prevention  
Training gathered by the Vermont Department of Education**  
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Act 182 of 2006 requires the commissioner of education to compile information and make available to schools the names of organizations and individuals who have provided effective hazing, harassment, bullying, suicide, or substance abuse prevention training for staff or students, or both.

**Vermont Department of Education/Human Rights Commission:** Currently offering two trainings per year (each training is two full days) for school staff on the requirements of Vermont's harassment prevention statute and harassment investigations in schools.

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<http://hrc.vermont.gov/>

**Partnerships in Fairness and Diversity:** Offers harassment and bullying prevention training for staff and/or students and diversity, cultural competency anti-bias training for school staff and/or students.

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**Center for Health & Learning:** Offers harassment and bullying, suicide and substance abuse prevention trainings for school staff and/or students.

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<http://healthandlearning.org/>

**Vermont Department of Health:** Offers substance abuse and other prevention-related trainings.

[http://healthvermont.gov/adap/training/training\\_list.aspx](http://healthvermont.gov/adap/training/training_list.aspx)

<http://healthvermont.gov/adap/prevention/Prevention.aspx>

**Outright Vermont:** Offers anti-bullying and anti-harassment workshops for students covering the topic generally as well as with a specific focus on discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity. Also offers ally-development workshops geared toward adults in school and community settings that are specifically focused on becoming allies for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning and Queer (LBGTQQ) youth.

Melissa Murray, Executive Director

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<http://outrightvt.org>

**Building Effective Supports for Teaching (BEST):** Offers workshops and action planning for developing school-wide bullying prevention and response systems. The Olweus Bullying Prevention Program, Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports and Life Space Crisis Interview are all strategies used by schools to address this critical need.

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<http://www.pbsvermont.com/>

<http://www.uvm.edu/cdci/best/>

**Kathy Johnson:** Offers training for staff on recognizing and responding to bullying and harassment, World of Difference Anti-Bias workshops for school staff and students and a wide range of other diversity and equity trainings.

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