

BE AN MVP



A PROGRAM OF CRISIS
INTERVENTION SERVICES OF
SOUTHEAST IOWA

MVP: MENTORS IN VIOLENCE PREVENTION

A program focused on teaching students to become active bystanders in the classroom, and leaders in violence prevention.

Through open and honest discussion of topics related to violence, harassment, and inappropriate behaviors, MVP will equip students to understand their roles as active bystanders in the prevention of gender violence.

Certified Sexual Assault Advocates are available to assist administrators in utilizing the MVP program in the school.

To schedule a MVP training, please contact

What is an active bystander?

An active bystander is a person who witnesses a situation that could be dangerous and takes steps to intervene.

Who can be an active bystander? Anyone can be an active bystander.

Potential Bystander situations Rude or inconsiderate behavior towards others. Inappropriate advances. Escalating conflict. Harassment, unfair or discriminatory behavior. Threats or potential violence toward another individual.

Steps you can take as an active bystander to de-escalate the potentially harmful situation. First, assess the situation to see what kind of help is needed to intervene. Second, evaluate your options of intervention and choose a strategy for responding. Third, respond and remember to remain safe and calm. Call for help if needed.