



# Bellmoore Elementary School

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Dear Bellmoore Community,  
RE: Cyberbullying

Bellmoore administration has been actively involved in an investigation into harmful, hateful and racist comments made in an online collaborative document in a grade 7 class. These offences are being taken seriously by all staff and administration. In addition to this, administration is working closely with Information Technology Technicians to create safe and respectful online learning spaces.

Anti-Black racism and discrimination in all forms have no place in schools and our communities. In addition to honing privacy practices, classes will continue to explore the topics of anti-racism, human rights, and equity through lessons in their classrooms. These lessons will aim to empower students to speak up and help create safer and more inclusive learning environments for everyone.

Some privacy practices that are being refined:

- Ensuring all personal account credentials are logged out after each period
- Logging who is using which shared device, including time out and in
- Privacy practices for personal devices

We recognize that this is a difficult time for students in this classroom, as well as the whole school. We encourage your child to speak with a trusted adult or administration regarding their feelings.

We are focused on creating a community that promotes connection and a strong sense of belonging. This incident has had a negative impact and continues to be taken seriously by staff and administration. We will continue to focus on digital citizenship, Anti-Oppressive and Anti-Racist practices, focusing on actions to support privacy on shared devices.

If your child has any information regarding this ongoing cyberbullying incident, we encourage them to speak out or use HWDSB Helps to report anonymously. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Sincerely,

Bellmoore Admin Team



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## HWDSB Helps

An anonymous way for students to find help for themselves and one another.

**We all have the power to help.**

### Get help or share anonymous tips.

- Text message to **905-963-0066**. Standard rates apply.
- App for iOS and Android
- Web chat at [www.hwdsb.on.ca/hwdsbhelps](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/hwdsbhelps)

### Questions?

Please contact your school principal.

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