

Bullying, Harassment, or Intimidation in Maryland Public Schools

A Report to the Maryland General Assembly
on Incidents Reported under the
Safe Schools Reporting Act of 2005

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**Last School Year Bullying Was
Up 11.8% State-wide**

Incident Rates

A total of 4,713 incidents of bullying were reported for the 2015-2016 school year.

This represents a statewide increase of 559 reported incidents from the 2014-2015 school year.
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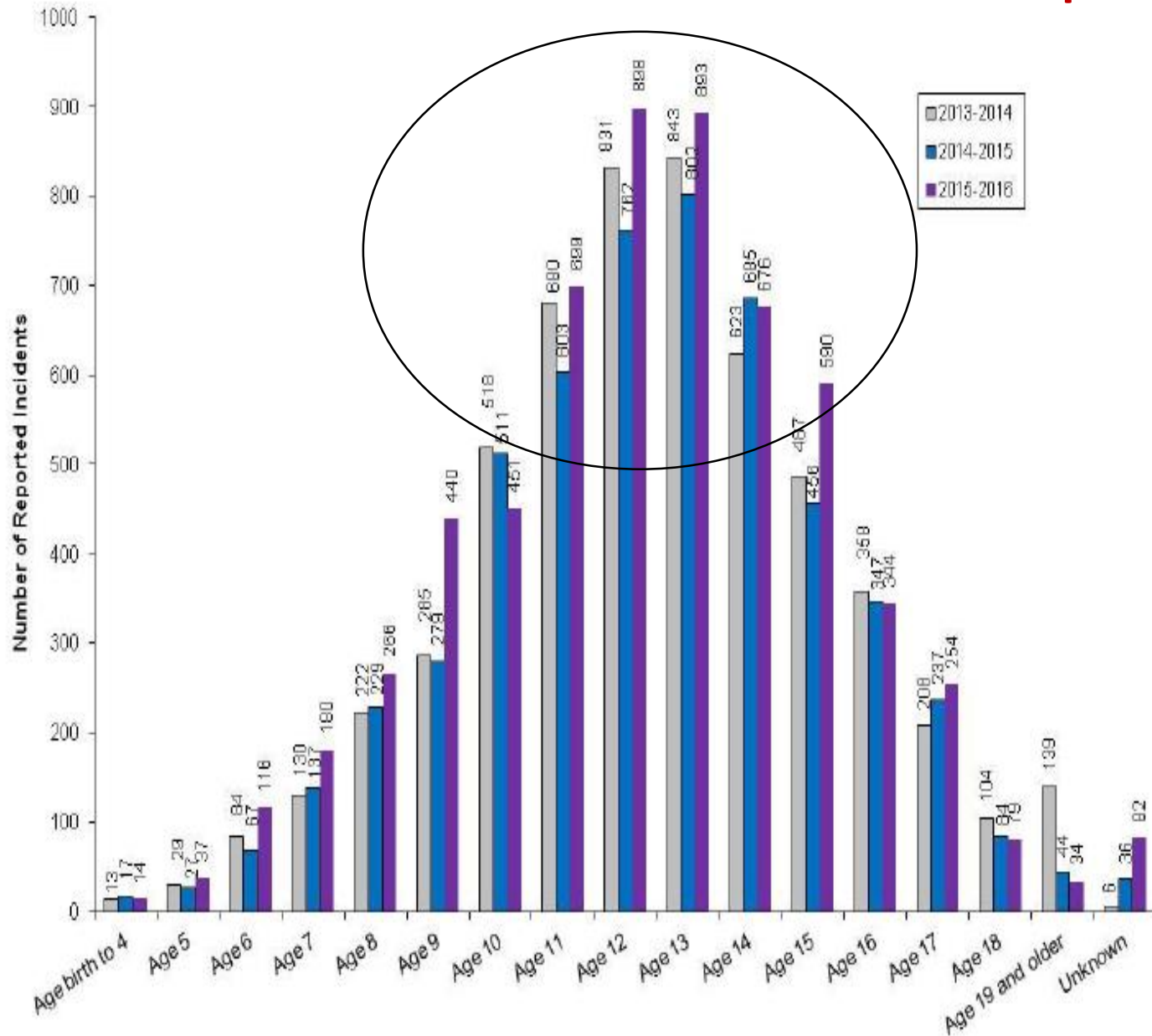
<http://marylandpublicschools.org/about/Documents/DSFSS/SSSP/Bullying/BullyingHarassmentReport2017.pdf>

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Figure 5: Statewide Ages of Alleged Offenders

MSDE Annual Bully Report by Age



MSDE Annual Bully Report by County

<u>Local School System</u>	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>% Change 2013-16</u>
Queen Anne's	10.4	6.9	4.0	3.0	-71.2%
Talbot	40.7	17.4	13.8	13.4	-67.1%
St. Mary's	8.3	5.8	4.4	3.4	-59.0%
Allegany	10.2	5.3	4.7	5.2	-49.0%
Frederick	8.9	7.9	6.2	4.9	-44.9%
Garrett	6.5	8.5	5.2	3.9	-40.0%
Carroll	8.5	6.6	6.5	5.4	-36.5%
Cecil	12	10.4	7.3	7.8	-35.0%
Baltimore City	6.3	5.6	3.7	4.4	-30.2%
Kent	22.1	29.8	18.0	16.3	-26.2%
Calvert	10.5	12.3	6.4	8.2	-21.9%
Howard	8.4	5.2	5.2	6.7	-20.2%
Anne Arundel	4.9	4.2	3.9	4.1	-16.3%
Worcester	5.4	7.5	1.8	4.8	-11.1%
Washington	9.5	8.1	10.3	8.5	-10.5%
Montgomery	3.5	2.9	2.8	3.2	-8.6%
Charles	8.4	6.4	6.9	7.7	-8.3%
Somerset	13.3	12.6	8.2	13.4	0.8%
Dorchester	14.6	19.1	19.2	15.0	2.7%
Prince George's	3	3.3	1.9	3.4	13.3%
Caroline	7.5	8.3	9.8	9.6	28.0%
Wicomico	9.4	11.3	14.2	14.4	53.2%
Baltimore County	5.6	5.4	6.8	9.0	60.7%
<u>Harford</u>	<u>3.3</u>	<u>2.6</u>	<u>2.8</u>	<u>5.5</u>	<u>66.7%</u>
Avg	10.1	8.9	7.3	7.6	-18.5%

* % change calculated from the state bullying report

71% Reduction in Bullying in Queen Anne's County Public Schools During 4 years of Text 2 Stop It!

State average, during same period, only 18.5%