



Bullies Should Not Get Expelled After Their First Offence by Noor Atieh, Grade 5

A kid who bullied another kid for the first time has committed an act of bullying. That child was then expelled. The child then regretted it. Is it fair to expel that kid? It is human nature to make mistakes, many students will be gone from school, teachers do not know the first part of the story and the 'bully' must have experienced it themselves.

Students who have bullied one another have punishments, though it is important to make sure that they learn from their mistakes and not get expelled after their first offence. There are cases where a student often commits an offence unintentionally or in the heat of the moment. It is human nature to make mistakes, and if students are expelled after the first time, they make a mistake, then many students would be gone. In fact, making mistakes helps your brain grow. If you make a mistake you can learn from it. Expelling students takes away their opportunity to learn from their mistakes.

Bullies should not get expelled because teachers do not know who first bullied who and the first part of the story. Teachers could very likely trust one person as their favourite and would not believe the other. Surely, it could be just a lie to get someone expelled because they know about that unruly rule of getting someone expelled after their first offence.

Also, the bully could have experienced the act of bullying themselves, or maybe something horrible is happening in their lives outside of school. For example, maybe a family member has died or their bad grades have affected them. The "bully" also could have experienced being bullied and wants to try it on someone else to know how it feels like. Their anger can sometimes be directed towards that person by mistake.

In conclusion, those who commit an act of bullying should not get expelled after their first offence. Expulsion is an unfair punishment because it is possible that teachers do not know the true story and everyone deserves a second chance to improve themselves. They should at least be given chances before they get expelled and also have a program after school to learn how to improve behavior. Bullies should certainly not be expelled after their first offence.