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Students Helping Students End Sexual Violence

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10 (Other) Things You Can Do To Prevent Sexual Violence

- 1** Realize that gender violence is a major social problem that deeply affects us all.
- 2** Don't remain silent – focus on how you, as an empowered bystander, can safely confront abusive behavior. **THINK SAFETY – GET HELP – ACT TOGETHER**
- 3** Understand how your own attitudes and actions may perpetuate sexism and violence and work toward changing them.
- 4** Gently offer your help and support if you suspect that someone close to you is being abused or has been sexually assaulted. **BELIEVE THEM!**
- 5** Respect others and treat others as equals. Gently challenge sexist jokes.
- 6** Support women and men who are working to end sexual violence.
- 7** Recognize and speak out against homophobia and gay-bashing.
- 8** Educate yourself and others about gender inequality and the root causes of gender violence.
- 9** Mentor and teach boys and girls about how to be men and women in ways that don't involve degrading stereotypes.
- 10** Refuse to purchase any magazines, videos, or music that portrays women or men in a degrading or violent manner.

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