

Young Love Matters

Addressing Stigma Surrounding
Teen Dating Violence Prevention



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What is Teen Dating Violence?

A pattern of behavior that includes physical, emotional, verbal, or sexual abuse used by one person in an intimate relationship to exert power and control over another.



Red Flags

- Excessive jealousy or insecurity
- Invasions of your privacy
- Unexpected bouts of anger or rage
- Pressuring a partner into unwanted sexual activity
- Constantly monitoring your whereabouts and checking in to see what you are doing and who you are with
- Controlling tendencies
- Taunting or bullying

Cycle of Abuse

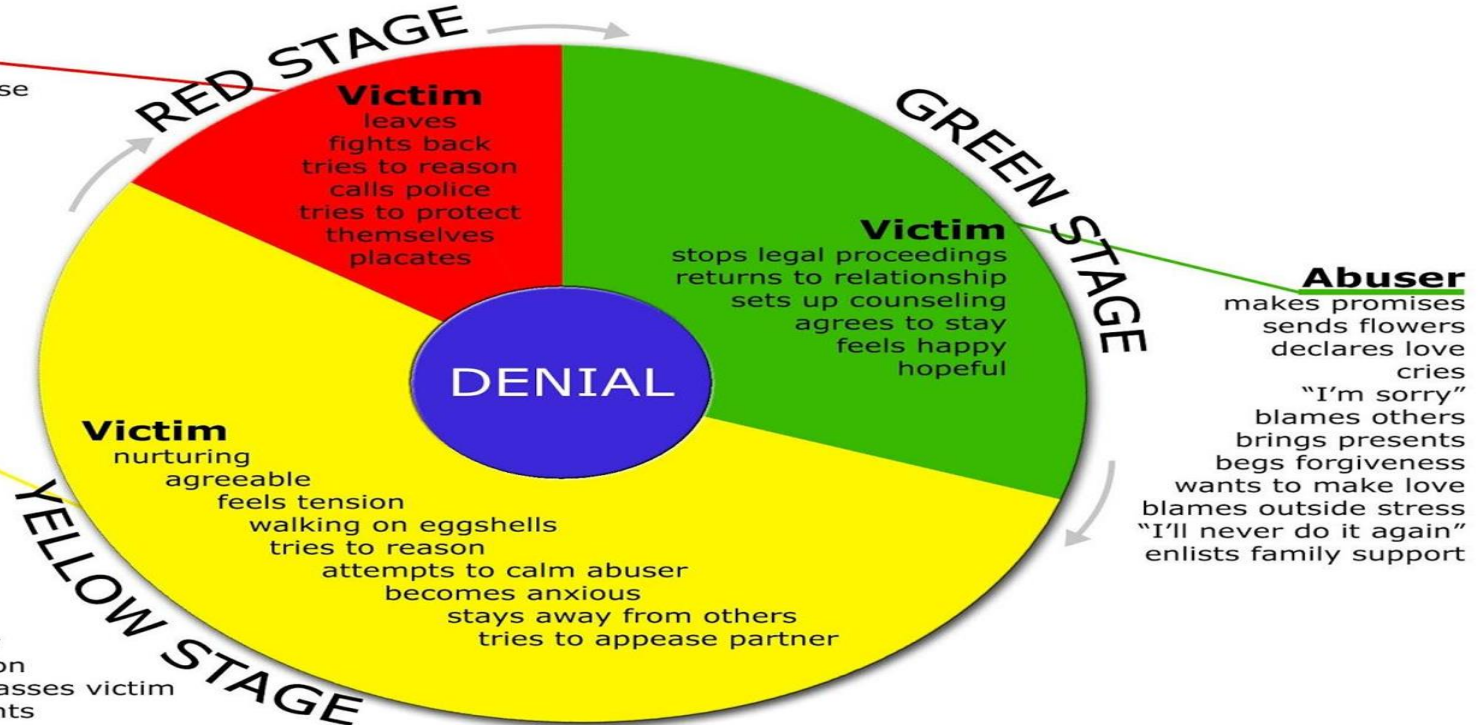
CYCLE OF ABUSE

Abuser

sexual abuse
psychological abuse
use of weapon
hitting
choking
humiliation
rape
beating
verbal abuse

Abuser

nitpicking
moody
put downs
yelling
threatens
criticizes
mind games
intimidates
isolates victim
destroys property
withdraws affection
blames & embarrasses victim
constant arguments



Affirmative Consent & Boundaries

Consent is EVERYTHING



consent is...

mutual **active**
respecting boundaries
comfortable
retractable
checking
willingly
given

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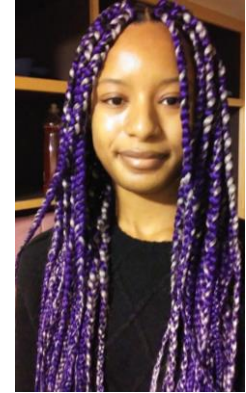
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Student-Created Teen Dating Violence Awareness PSA

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZ97bcjtTSQ>

Ok, Inc - Get Out & Walk

Chaney High School

Youngstown, OH

Conversation Starters (Panel Questions)

- How do you feel that teen dating violence affects this generation?
- How do we normalize respecting boundaries among youth?
- What advice would you give to other youth when it comes to practicing consent in relationships?
- What platforms can prevention professionals use to raise awareness about Teen Dating Violence?

Reacting & Responding to TDV

- **Tell someone**—Don't be afraid to talk to a friend, adult, family member, or someone you trust. There are people and organizations who can help you get out of a violent dating situation before it escalates.
- **Document the abuse**—Record what's taking place. Keep a journal of the violence you're experiencing, including dates and times of each incident. Seek medical care for any injuries. Print out emails, text messages, or any other form of electronic communication that contains evidence of dating violence.
- **Leave the relationship**—Relationships can turn violent quickly. If this happens, get out of the immediate situation. Consult friends or trusted adults for help before the abuse intensifies.

Teen Dating Violence Resources

- [Center for Healthy Teen Relationships](#)
- [National Dating Abuse Helpline](#)
- Loveisrespect.org Teen Support Hotline
 - Call 1.866.331.9474
 - Text: LOVEIS to 22522
 - 24/7 Chatline

Back Down Memory Lane

- Each notable social justice movement has been wildly impacted by youth and young adults (aged 14-22)
- Rape and sexual abuse happens disproportionately to folks under 18
- Our children are our future.

Restoring our Roots (Call to Action)

- Cultivating Community.
- Fostering Innovation.
- Nourishing Relationships.

Thank You!



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