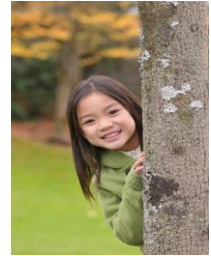


# Do you know about the “Act for the Promotion of Measures to Prevent Bullying ”?

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The Act for the Promotion of Measures to Prevent Bullying stipulates **basic policies** and **measures** for **society** to deal with bullying.



## The law requires schools and local governments to “**systematically**” deal with school bullying.

- Schools and communities are required to formulate basic policies to deal with bullying and to implement measures based on the Act and the basic policies.
- All schools must establish an in-house organization to handle bullying cases. The organ will play a central role to advance measures on the prevention, early detection and treatment of bullying.

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## Schools will be the contact point for receiving bullying reports.

- Please **report** any cases of suspected bullying **to the school**.

## An investigative panel will be launched for “**serious cases of bullying**”

- For cases of bullying in which victims suffer serious physical or psychological damage, an investigative panel will be established. The panel will include experts to examine the facts.

## Definition of bullying (based on Article 2 of the Act for the Promotion of Measures to Prevent Bullying)

Bullying (including cyber bullying) is defined as an act inflicted on a child by another child having a certain degree of relationship with the bullied victim (for example, both attending the same school), which causes the victim either physical or psychological pain.