

## Online Courses About Bullying Launched for Teachers and Parents

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Bill Belsey, noted Canadian educator, parent and creator of [www.bullying.org](http://www.bullying.org), the world's most-visited and referenced Website about bullying, [www.cyberbullying.ca](http://www.cyberbullying.ca), the world's first Website about cyberbullying and the originator of National Bullying Awareness Week, [www.bullyingawarenessweek.org](http://www.bullyingawarenessweek.org), is proud to announce the launch of a groundbreaking new Website, [www.bullyingcourse.com](http://www.bullyingcourse.com).

[www.bullyingcourse.com](http://www.bullyingcourse.com) offers affordable and easily accessible online courses and Webinars about bullying and cyberbullying for professional educators and parents.

"I have had the dream of creating this kind of educational resource for some time", said Mr. Belsey. "I went to a great Canadian university, but during my entire four years of teacher-training, I never had a class, let alone a course about bullying, what it is, how to identify it, how to prevent it and what to do if you learn that bullying is happening to one of your students. Bullying is often seen as the number one non-academic issue that teachers face today, and yet educators feel that they need more information, help and support to address the issue more effectively. [www.bullyingcourse.com](http://www.bullyingcourse.com) can go a long way to addressing this need," notes Belsey.

"Professional educators have one main priority, and that is to help students achieve their potential as learners. Scared kids can't do this," says Belsey.

A recent Canadian Press story reported that bullying is the biggest education worry of parents.

"With the launch of [www.bullyingcourse.com](http://www.bullyingcourse.com), parents can learn how to address their concerns about bullying with their child's school from a position of knowledge and greater understanding," said Mr. Belsey.

"Many politicians and educational leaders have expressed the desire to address the issue of bullying more effectively, [www.bullyingcourse.com](http://www.bullyingcourse.com) will help parents and educators learn how to work together on behalf of our children, but we have to be on the same page. Prevention through education and awareness using a community approach is the way to go", notes Belsey. [www.bullyingcourse.com](http://www.bullyingcourse.com) can play an important role in supporting this effort.

[www.bullyingcourse.com](http://www.bullyingcourse.com) also offers information about the emerging behaviour of cyberbullying, a term that Belsey is often cited as being the first to use and define.

"We've already had many people from across Canada and around the world register for these online courses and Webinars about bullying and cyberbullying. I believe that it can really help to make a difference," Mr. Belsey believes.

For more information, please visit [www.bullyingcourse.com](http://www.bullyingcourse.com).

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