

Peer Mediation Works !

- “It was very helpful in solving my problems with my peers. I learned to stay away from rumors to avoid trouble.” -T.B.-
- “Peer Mediation was very helpful to me. I don’t feel that I have to fight to get things done anymore. With Peer Mediation all I have to do is talk things out and settle my problems like an adult.” -B.S.-
- “Peer Mediation helped me and my friends with our problems. Without it, I probably would have got into a fight and been suspended from school.” -T.C.-

DUANESBURG
CENTRAL SCHOOL

Peers

4



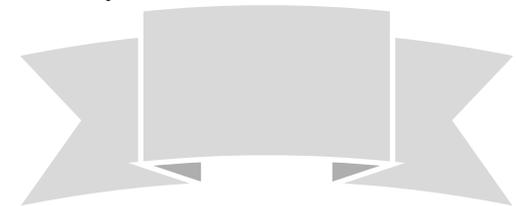
Frustrated?

Exasperated?

Peer Mediation

Intimidated?

Angry?



Peer mediation empowers students to resolve conflicts themselves, peaceably, without the involvement of authority.

Mediation is an alternative way of helping individuals resolve conflict between one another.

Peer mediation happens when students act as the mediators, trained to help other students resolve conflicts.

In mediation, a trained person – an objective “third party” not involved in the conflict – helps people involved in conflict communicate effectively to reach an agreement.

As students, peer mediators understand the issues and concerns of other students.

PEER MEDIATION

- Confidential-
- Voluntary-
- Effective-

Peer Mediation is an Option

Unresolved conflict can create an unpleasant environment, leading to resentment in relationships.

Disagreement and discussion are healthy functions of any relationship, friendship, or organization.

Peer mediation can assist in finding and exploring mutually beneficial options by providing an atmosphere and framework for problem solving.

For More Information Contact:

- Ms. Mills
- Mr. Silverman
- Mrs. Toler
- Mr. Ferreira
- Mr. Hoffmann
- Mr. Sheldon

How It's Done

- 1) Any student can request mediation
- 2) Peer mediators will be assigned to discuss the situation
- 3) The other party will be contacted and a meeting arranged

At mediation

- 4) A pair of trained peer mediators will listen to all sides of the dispute
- 5) The parties define the issues themselves and will work to create, in writing, a mutually agreeable solution