

# EDUCO POLICY ON PROTECTION AND POSITIVE TREATMENT OF CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE PROTECTED AND TREATED WITH RESPECT.**

**NO ONE SHOULD HURT YOU!**

**WHAT DO WE MEAN BY "HURT"?**

**INSULT!**

**When you are insulted, threatened or humiliated.**

**When you are hurt or hit.**

**When you are discriminated against or neglected.**

**VIOLENCE CAN TAKE MANY FORMS:**

## **PHYSICAL:**

When someone hurts or hits you.

## **EMOTIONAL:**

When someone insults or threatens you or makes you feel scared.

## **SEXUAL:**

When someone forces you to do things with your body that confuse you, frighten you, or make you feel bad.

This can happen at home, at school, on the internet, or anywhere else. And can be done by an adult or another child

**IF SOMEONE HURTS YOU OR YOU SUSPECT THAT SOMEONE IS BEING HURT:**

**DON'T KEEP QUIET!**

**Talk to an adult you trust.**

**You can also contact Educo:**

- **Suggestions, Complaints and Commendations Box**
- **Whispli:** <https://educo.whispli.com/>
- **Email:** [ethics@educo.org](mailto:ethics@educo.org)
- **Child Protection Focal Points**

**We will listen to you and find the safest solution!**



## WHAT MUST WE NEVER DO?

- We never hit you or hurt you.
- We never insult you, shout at you, threaten you or humiliate you.
- We never sleep in the same bed as you or ask to be alone with you in a private place.
- We never do anything that is secret or that you do not want others to know about or that makes you feel bad.
- We never have romantic relationships with you, and we will never touch your private parts or make you touch ours.
- We never take you to dangerous places or ask you to do dangerous work.
- We never smoke, drink alcohol, or take drugs in front of you.

## WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

- We always treat you with respect, because we are all equal, regardless of who we are.
- We do everything we can to protect you.
- We listen to you and ask you about what you think and feel.
- We ask you if you would like to participate in Educo's activities and interviews. And we always ask for written permission from your parents or legal guardian.
- We always ask for your permission before taking a photo or video of you or interviewing you. And we always explain what we will do with those photos, videos, and information.
- If you don't feel comfortable doing an activity, you can simply tell us that you don't want to participate.

And if that's not the case, or if something frightens or worries you, don't keep it to yourself! Talk to an adult who can help.

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