**Bullies should be suspended for a week**

(Argumentative Essay)

Every child goes through the process and years of education until they grow older and get a job. Most of them have a wonderful time during those years, but what about the little number of people who actually struggled then? Of course, bullying is a big problem that exists within the school’s walls, perhaps even out of them. However, a punishment can be made for a said bully, which is that they should be suspended for a week. Now, the real question is - what are the positives and the negatives of this suggestion?

To start off with the positive traits of this idea, the first and foremost is that there will be consequences, mostly for the bully. If they indeed get suspended for a week, that will give them a chance to think about their actions and maybe even change their behavior. It might impact their mental health and themselves as a person overall; yet, while that does sound good enough, there is also the negative side to this approach. The bully’s mental health might get harmed for being sent home for an entire week as a punishment, ruin their reputation they might have with others and so, it involves the victim as well. The victim will be affected in various ways; there are positive and negative outcomes, which involve either feeling free and happy for getting justice brought to them, or fearful and anxious of the bully’s return. This is a very convincing argument.

Nevertheless, this proposal also has negative impacts, just like it has the positive. Growth of negative behavior is a high possibility - people will become more pessimistic and will likely be angry about this proposal. They could think that a suspension for only one week would not be enough for a bully, especially depending on their actions. As they say, “all actions have equal consequences”. It would only make perfect sense if this was the case. The bully might get more aggressive as well - no child takes punishment well. They will be eager to see their victim again and might cause a bigger problem, that being said - a week is not considered enough time to think over one’s actions.

The school system itself has always been a bit of a problem in the world. In my opinion, especially when it comes to bullying. From my perspective, the bullied always get more consequences than the bullies themselves. Personally, I would not know how to solve such a drastic problem, for after all I am a child myself, finishing middle and entering high school. I don’t think it is about the punishment either, but the people themselves; bullies should always have a reason to bully others, yet victims should get help and feel safe to talk about being bullied at school (which is supposed to be a safe place for everyone).

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