



THE HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS PRESENT: THE ABCs OF BULLYING PREVENTION

A visit from the Harlem Globetrotters consists of one or more of our players (normally one), in their full warm-up gear, presenting "The ABCs of Bullying Prevention," which targets 6-12 year-old kids. The kids can be gathered in a gym, a cafeteria, or wherever the best place is to house hundreds of kids. We do not use basketball hoops, so any large area will work. This program has been presented for groups ranging from 25 kids to 1,000.

No stage is necessary, just enough floor room in front of the kids for the player to move around. Depending on the size of the group, it is sometimes beneficial if there is a clear path splitting the kids (if they are seated on the floor), so that the player can better interact with them. A microphone is preferable, if possible, as it makes it easier for the player to talk and for the kids to hear.

The player will start with some information about himself or herself and the Globetrotters, and then might play a quick listening game before diving into "The ABCs of Bullying Prevention" presentation. The Globetrotters designed the program in coordination with the **National Campaign to Stop Violence (NCSV)**. The program focuses on Action, Bravery, and Compassion, comprising the ABCs.

The player might ask the kids their definition of each word in the ABCs and expand on the answers. For example: "**COMPASSION** means caring about others and your community. You can stop bullying by being a friend and staying involved in positive activities that show that you care about other people."

For the finale, the player will pick a few kids to join him or her up front to teach them some special Globetrotter ball handling moves (the player might pick kids that answered a question earlier in the program). The player should have with him or her a CD of our "Sweet Georgia Brown" theme music, so it is beneficial to have the means to play a CD, which can be as simple as a portable CD player with speakers, so the music can play during the ball handling session. If those means are not available, it is not a problem at all.

The program is approximately 30 minutes in length, but we suggest blocking off an hour of your day to allow for gathering and dismissing the kids, etc. Given the size of the audience and the player's busy schedule, the player will not have time to sign autographs, so please make sure everyone involved is aware of that. However, we will provide you with a PDF of a certificate of completion for the ABCs, and the certificate includes the player's photo and autograph. These are designed for the school to copy off and provide for each student; therefore, in this way, each student will indeed get an autograph and a fun take home item to show their family and friends.

To see a video example of "The ABCs of Bullying Prevention," please click [HERE](#).

We request permission to invite television and newspaper reporters, as it makes for a good story angle, so if you have any policies regarding media, we need to please know in advance. If any restrictions are in place, waivers are either signed by the parents in advance, or media can simply be alerted as to which kids cannot have pictures or video taken of them. You may take your own pictures and video during the presentation as well. You are also more than welcome to invite any parents that wish to attend.

The Globetrotters bring "The ABCs of Bullying Prevention" to over 350 schools and youth centers annually. Cities in which the program is presented will greatly hinge on the team's touring schedule.