



“This is what school **could be.** This is what school **should be.**”

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Did you know it is estimated that **160,000 children miss school every day due to fear of attack or intimidation by other students?** (National Education Association) This shocking statistic leads to lower academic performance and depression related illness in children. Move This World is putting an end to this.

Join Move This World (MTW) to help children and adults transform conflict, violence and bullying in their schools and neighborhoods. Move This World is working across the country to build safe communities where children can express themselves without fear. For example:

- At Peshing Avenue School in New Jersey, there was a **44% increase in ability to get along with others and 42% increase in diversity appreciation.**
- In Baltimore, MD, there was a **65% decrease in the use of physical violence** during a peer conflict among 4th graders at Moravia Park Elementary.
- At Columbia Heights Educational Campus in Washington D.C., there was **67% increase in 8th grade students' willingness to listen to other students' ideas.**

Did you ever feel misunderstood by adults when you were growing up?

Growing up is difficult for all of us. However, with the right support this tough time can be a time of growth, learning and development. Most of the time, when children act out it's simply because they do not know how to express themselves in the appropriate way.

With your generous contributions, we are able to teach students how to express their anger or frustration in a healthy way, without harming other students or themselves. "The angry machine (a MTW classroom exercise) was pretty cool," says a 3rd grader who struggles with control, "I kind of have anger issues and I learned that I could express my anger in a way that didn't hurt anyone or get me in trouble."

The Mirror In The Circle

The *Mirror in the Circle* is a MTW signature classroom activity. Led by Junior PeaceMovers, high school students who are trained to mentor younger ones, each child has the chance to invent movements from the center of the circle, mirrored by their surrounding classmates. "I liked seeing the older kids doing my movements," says one 5th grader, "because I felt like I was seeing myself in the future." The mentorship and leadership opportunities provided through the Junior PeaceMover program connect and empower students to set goals for themselves and support each other through the process.

Move This World provides students with the tools to treat their peers with empathy and understanding in a way that nurtures rather than harms.

As a nonprofit, we are powered through your contributions, time, energy, and love. Your donation changes lives. You help to transform conflict in schools and communities. You positively impact the lives of children, teachers, and families. As school violence continues around us, your gift becomes even more important. **Please donate to help create safe schools and communities where children can have the confidence to shine.** Your donation provides the support for the communities who need it most. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of children and families.

Thank you for being a critical member of the Move This World team and for committing to end violence and transform conflict in our communities and our world.

Together We Move This World,



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P.S. Your gift today empowers youth to prevent violence and foster empathetic human connections on both a local level and a global scale.

