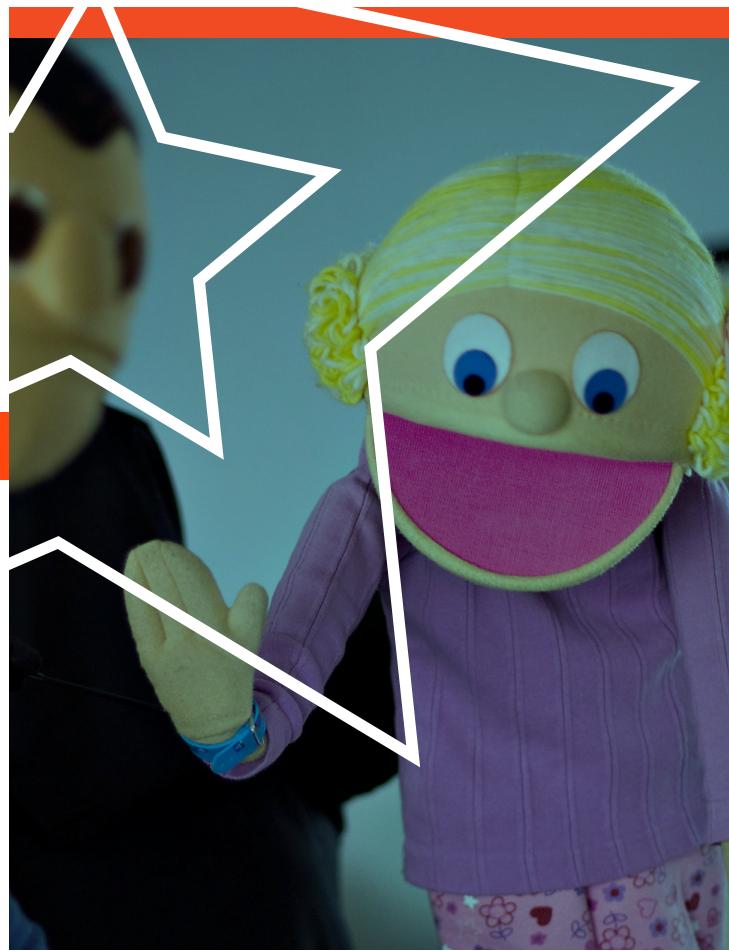




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Kids on the Block (KOB), a program of **STARS**, educates students in grades K-4 about health and social concerns that affect their lives. Using puppets and other teaching tools, KOB promotes understanding and acceptance of all children and adults, regardless of their differences.

KINDERGARTEN:

TEASING AND NAME-CALLING

Developed for our youngest audience, this presentation promotes caring and respect by showing that words can really hurt despite what they may have heard in the saying "Sticks and stones ..." It discourages teasing and name-calling that can lead to future bullying, while encouraging kindness. *(25 minutes)*

FIRST GRADE:

PROBLEM-SOLVING AND SELF-CONTROL

By giving the audience a chance to help the KOB characters find a solution, the children are empowered with more than one way to solve a problem. By teaching the importance of sharing and also a simple technique to gain self-control, children learn to stay calm and make smart decisions. *(25 minutes)*

SECOND GRADE:

AWARENESS OF DIFFERENCES

This program promotes respect, understanding and acceptance of all individuals regardless of differences that may lead to exclusion and harassment. By allowing open conversation about diversity, this presentation helps build cultural awareness, breaks down barriers and shows students that we are all different in some ways, but we are all the same on the inside. *(45 minutes)*

THIRD GRADE:

CHILD-ABUSE PREVENTION

This personal safety program educates students to identify child abuse and neglect, empowers them to say "No!" and encourages them to talk to a trusted adult. Although this important topic is always sensitive in nature, the program is presented in a kid-friendly and nonthreatening way. KOB is licensed by the Department of Children's Services. *(Recommended 60 minutes)*

FOURTH GRADE:

BE A HERO

Be A Hero is designed to identify and explain the various forms of bullying while introducing alternatives to violence in an entertaining and kid-friendly way. The program integrates best practices around bullying prevention to reach the goals of challenging bystanders to advocate for their peers, encouraging targets of bullying to seek help from trusted adults, and increasing self-control. Students come to understand that a safe school climate is everyone's responsibility. *(45 minutes)*

ACCORDING TO TEACHER AND COUNSELOR SURVEYS ...

92% FEEL KOB PRESENTATIONS TEACH IMPORTANT SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL CONCEPTS WHILE ENGAGING STUDENTS

91% FEEL KOB PRESENTATIONS ARE GRADE-LEVEL-APPROPRIATE

88% FEEL KOB PRESENTATIONS PROMOTE SOCIAL SKILLS

77% OF STUDENTS PORTRAY KNOWLEDGE GAINED AS A RESULT OF KOB PRESENTATIONS