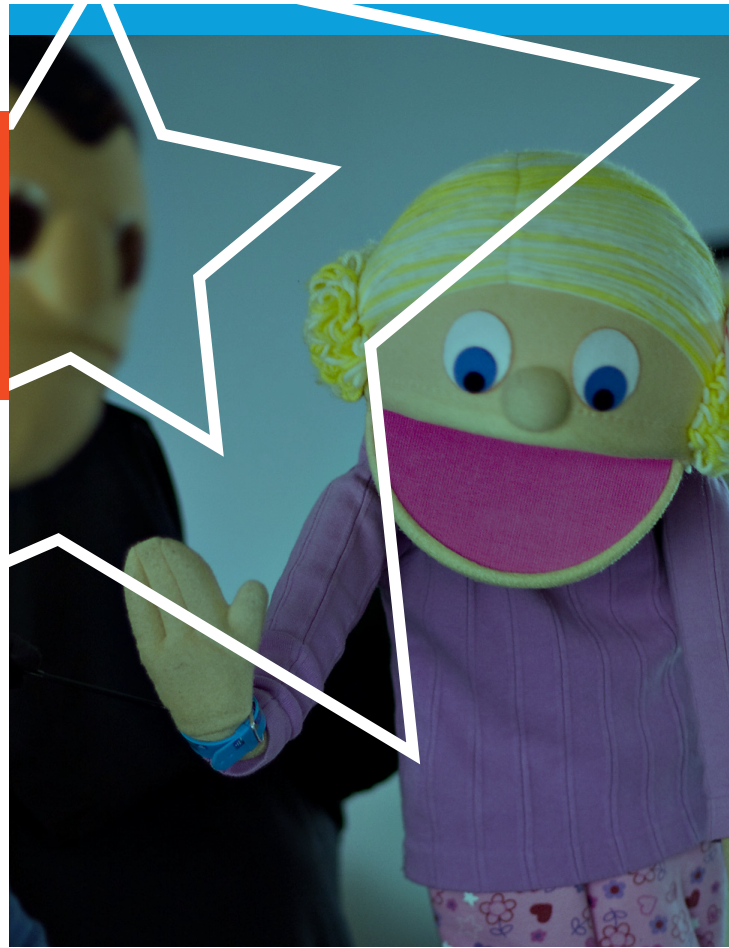




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**KIDS ON THE BLOCK (KOB)**, a program of **STARS**, educates students in grades K-4 about health and social concerns that affect their lives. Using puppets and other teaching tools, KOB promotes understanding and acceptance of all children and adults,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

## **KOB LITERACY PROGRAM**

This six-week literacy program targets those students whose proficiency is 10 to 15 percent behind, and works with them to help increase reading scores through an assortment of activities including a presentation with the Kids on the Block puppets.

## **KOB PRESENTATIONS**

### **KINDERGARTEN:**

#### **TEASING AND NAME-CALLING**

*Discourages teasing and name-calling that can lead to future bullying, while encouraging kindness. (25 minutes)*

### **FIRST GRADE:**

#### **AWARENESS OF DIFFERENCES**

*Promotes respect, understanding and acceptance of all individuals regardless of their differences. (45 minutes)*

### **SECOND GRADE:**

#### **SAFE SCHOOLS PROGRAM: Stand Up! Empowering Students To Resolve Conflict and Report Bullying**

Teaches that there is more than one way to solve a problem and how to safely intervene in a bullying situation. (45 minutes)

### **THIRD GRADE:**

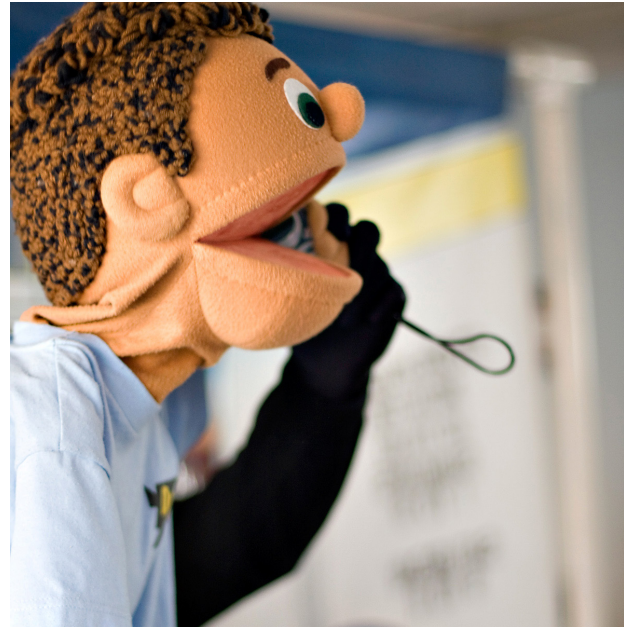
#### **CHILD-ABUSE PREVENTION**

*Educates students to identify child abuse and neglect, empowers them to say "No!" and encourages them to talk to a trusted adult. (Recommended 60 minutes)*

### **FOURTH GRADE:**

#### **BE A HERO**

Designed to examine the challenges around prejudiced thinking and bullying. (60 minutes)



## **ACCORDING TO TEACHER SURVEYS ...**

**91%** of teachers and counselors reported that the program had a positive impact on the students.

**75%** of the teachers state that students volunteer to read more often following the KOB literacy program.

**67%** of the teachers stated that their students read with more confidence following the KOB literacy program.

**79%** of the teachers state that they would recommend future struggling readers to the KOB literacy program.

**87%** of the students stated that they learned something new.