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BOUNDARIES**
IN SCIENCE RESEARCH II

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Balance Education’s Professional Development Seminars

By Mitchell Levine

In order to offer students the most effective education possible, school personnel must be aware of the most current best practices to effectively curtail bullying, harassment and social aggression. “Social aggression (bullying others by manipulating social status, through tactics such as rumor spreading, exclusion, silent treatment) is just as painful as a physical bullying attack; sometimes more painful,” says Steve Breakstone, violence prevention expert and seminar co-presenter. “Our goal is to provide proven methods to reclaim teaching time by reducing disruptions caused by bullying behavior,” adds Michael Dreiblatt, co-presenter. “The strategies we offer show school staff how to empower ‘target’ (bullied) students as well as how to guide aggressors and bystanders toward socially acceptable behaviors.” Michael Dreiblatt is an outstanding national speaker and veteran sixteen-year teacher who specializes in bully proofing, violence prevention, social aggression, healthy relationships and Special Education Law. With his humorous style and engaging stories, Michael has taught these topics to thousands of adults and students. Steve Breakstone is a specialist in violence prevention, behavior management, and effective communication styles. During his workshops, Steve uses his theatrical experience to role-play serious realities such as being bullied, being the subject of rumors or being shunned by cliques. He is also an expert in Special Education Law and the No Child Left Behind Act. During the seminar, school personnel will also learn state law and education regulations regarding harassment and discipline in order to protect themselves and their school district from liability. These one-day seminars are designed for teachers, guidance counselors, school social workers, psychologists, case managers, principals, school board members and parents.

To register for this event, log onto www.BalanceEducation.net/registration.htm or dial the company directly at 866-768-4803.#

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