



## OAK GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### WHAT IS PEER MEDIATION?

For Grades 4th and 5th Grade with Mrs. Turpin-Orgetas and Ms. Murray  
6th is Student Council with Mr. Lander

This program is a special opportunity to learn constructive ways of dealing with the conflicts that children are faced with each day. Peer mediators are 4th and 5th graders that are trained in conflict resolution by learning how to use their listening skills, problem-solving skills, and negotiating skills to help their classmates solve problems peacefully. The club will be involved in many activities throughout the year such as:

1. Help with our school-wide Penny Wars.
2. Help with the NY Blood Center Blood Drive (scheduled Thursday, November 21, 2024, during Parent-Teacher Conferences).
3. We will participate in the school-wide NBA Zone (No Bullies Allowed).
4. We will visit a nursing home for the holidays.
5. We will be involved in the *Mitten Tree* and *Toys for Tots* to help local families that are less fortunate during the holidays.
6. We help students solve disagreements.

This program will begin on Friday, September 29, 2024, from 7:30-8:25 a.m. and run through June 6, 2025 ***only if chosen.***

*\*I understand that participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege granted to Oak Grove students. In order to participate in these activities, students are expected to make every effort to do their best academically and to respect school rules and all individuals in the building. Failure to maintain such standards will affect eligibility to participate in the Peer Mediation Club.*

#### **TO APPLY:**

**Write a letter to Mrs. Turpin-O or Mrs. Murray explaining why you should be chosen to be a peer mediator. How would you positively impact our school? This letter is due by Friday, September 20, 2024 by 9:00 am.**

#### **EXTRA CREDIT:**

**Ask a teacher from a previous year to recommend you to be a mediator.**

Your current teachers are still getting to know you so make sure you ask a previous teacher.

Mrs. Turpin-O will send a link for them to fill out.