Territory students unite to stand against bullying and violence

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Territory students today will ‘take a stand’ against bullying and violence as part of the National Day of Action celebrated right across Australia.

Minister for Education Peter Chandler said the annual event represents a movement of students in our nation saying ‘No Way’ to acts of bullying and violence in their community.

"I am thrilled that 77 schools across the Territory have put their hands up to participate in the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence,” Mr Chandler said.

“That is a record number of Northern Territory schools to engage in the six years of the event’s operation.

“Our students are dedicating the day to come together and talk about issues and work on initiatives school by school to prevent these behaviours occurring.”

Over 19,000 students around the Territory will partake in activities to show their support for the well-being of all young people within our communities.

The Education Minister visited Centralian Middle School today to partake in the school assembly, where students presented a whole of school approach to problem solving.

“Student leaders presented a problem solving tree with the purpose to encourage an open conversation between students, teachers and parents about proactively working together to eliminate bullying and violence in their schools,” Mr Chandler said.

“I am proud to be the Minister for Education in an age where Territory students take a level of engagement beyond the national day to send a message,” Mr Chandler said.

“Today is about igniting a national conversation around bullying and focuses on taking positive action to address it.

“It is a day of action for students, teachers, parents and the community to come together and deliver a powerful message that bullying and violence is never okay.”

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