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HARTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO HOST BULLYING CONFERENCE

HARTFORD – Since 1999, Stump the Violence has promoted peace in Hartford, focusing its efforts on Fox Middle School.

With a new law on bullying in place in the school district, Stump the Violence is hoping to increase awareness of the legislation, and to encourage dialogue about that and other issues of concern to Fox students. On Friday, March 21, 2003, 10 students from eight elementary schools will participate in a Stump the Violence “Bullying Conference.” The conference will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Fox Middle School, 305 Greenfield Street, Hartford.

The elementary school summit will include 10 students from the eight elementary schools whose students will attend Fox Middle upon graduation. The event will include an assembly, breakout workshop sessions, lunch and a wrap-up. The conference marks the start of a series Stump the Violence is planning throughout the school year.

Community and education leaders formed Stump the Violence, a peer-to-peer outreach initiative of Hartford Behavioral Health, in November 1999. The initiative has pioneered a number of community events, including the BET Wrap It Up Summit and Hartford Safenight, which draws hundreds of Hartford youth for a night of recreation and informational activities.

For more information on Stump the Violence, contact Andrew Woods at (860) 251-0773.

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