Teen Dating Abuse

**KNOW THE FACTS**

- **1 in 3** adolescents in the U.S. is a victim of physical, sexual, emotional or verbal abuse from a dating partner. (LoveIsRespect.org, Dating Abuse Statistics)
- **1 in 10** high school students has been purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by a boyfriend or girlfriend. (LoveIsRespect.org, Dating Abuse Statistics)
- **80%** of girls who have been physically abused in their relationship continue to date their abuser. (Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services, Myths and Facts: Dating Violence)
- **1 in 3** teens who were in an abusive relationship never told anyone about the abuse. (LoveIsRespect.org, Dating Abuse Statistics)
- **1 in 5** girls who have been in a relationship said a boyfriend threatened violence if presented with a breakup. (Safe Voices, Abuse Statistics)
- **2 out of 3** parents whose children have been in a dating relationship say dating violence and abuse is not been a problem for their teens. (LoveIsRespect.org, Dating Abuse Statistics)
- **82%** of parents feel confident that they could recognize if their teen was experiencing dating violence, but more than half of these parents could not correctly identify the warning signs of abuse. (LoveIsRespect.org, Dating Abuse Statistics)

**LOVE SHOULDN’T HURT**

**Girls** and young women between the ages of 16 and 24 experience the highest rate of intimate partner violence—almost triple the national average. (LoveIsRespect.org, Dating Abuse Statistics)

**PARENTS DON’T RECOGNIZE THE SIGNS**

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