Common Forms of Bullying

(Please note that this is not intended to constitute an exhaustive list)

Verbal Bullying

Teasing

Name Calling

Inappropriate sexual comments

Taunting

Threatening to cause harm

Other pervasive, ongoing pattern intended to intimidate, harass, or shame a student

Social Bullying

Exclusion – Intentionally excluding a student

Telling other students not to be friends with someone

Spreading rumors about someone

Embarrassing someone in public

Other pervasive, ongoing pattern intended to intimidate, harass, or shame a student

Physical Bullying

Hitting/kicking/pinching

Spitting

Tripping/Pushing

Taking or breaking someone's things

Making mean or rude hand gestures

Other pervasive, ongoing pattern intended to intimidate, harass, or shame a student

Cyberbullying

Intimidating text messages or e-mails

Rumors by e-mail or social networking sites

Embarrassing pictures and videos

Trolling

Other pervasive, ongoing pattern intended to intimidate, harass, or shame a student

Helpful resources: "Best Practices in Bullying Prevention," found at http://stopbullyingnow.hrsa.gov.