OPINION: "Boy physically and verbally bullies my niece and Parker School does nothing about it."

The following is from a concerned Aunt in New Bedford:

"My 10-year old niece attends Parker school and being bullied. Every single day she is bullied by some punk kid who calls her names. Today the bully not only called her names but smacked her.

She shouldn't have to cry every day before school. Every day he bullies her and threatens to hit her and embarrasses her in front of other students. Parker School does nothing.

We schedule meetings with the superintendent and he postpones or doesn't show. As far as I'm concerned bullying is 100% unacceptable and it's because of people like this that young kids are committing suicide.

She is there for an education not to be picked on. What else do we need to do for someone to open their eyes and protect her?! Clearly going to the school and police station isn't the answer since we are still sitting at square one.

We've already called the police, filed reports with police, went to the school, asked for class changes, brought evidence to the table yet no one listens. They have their blinders on to this situation.

I'm beyond upset. Please share this and comment with any recommendations." — Lori Trindade□

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