4 FACTS
you need to know about cyberbullying

The bus, the playground, the Google Doc — three places you're bound to spot a bully in today's learning environment. Although schools hoped to leave toxicity behind when they raced to the cloud, bullying seems to have beat them to the chase. Today, with more cloud apps in use than ever before, cyberbullying is a constant threat to student safety.

To help you understand the significance of the problem, let's put cyberbullying under the microscope and look a little closer.

1 DEMOGRAPHIC

15% of girls have been targeted by abusive behaviors online, compared to **6% of boys**.[1] Additionally, LGBTQ+ students experience cyberbullying at a much higher rate than their peers.

2 MENTAL HEALTH

Almost 70% of cyberbullying victims say online harassment has harmed their self-image.[2] Cyberbullying has also been linked to anxiety, depression, self-harm, and suicide.

3 PHYSICAL HEALTH

Cyberbullying victims are at increased risk of developing:

- Gastrointestinal issues
- Eating disorders
- Sleeping disorders
- Substance abuse

4 SCHOOL VIOLENCE

An analysis of 67 failed school violence plots reveals that most attackers were victims of bullying.[3]

In **21%** of cases, bullying was the primary motivating factor.

If left unchecked, not only can cyberbullying affect a student's mental and physical health, but it could also lead to an act of violence. To avoid these outcomes, schools need to be detecting, mitigating, and investigating student safety risks as they occur in their cloud environments.

Simply put, they need a cloud security platform designed to stop cyberbullying and other risks in their tracks. ManagedMethods automates risk detection and mitigation, allowing you to address toxic behaviors in Google Workspace and Microsoft 365.

Ready to learn more?
Schedule a free 30-day demo of ManagedMethods today.

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