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In the end, we all want someone like Jan

BOYS WILL BE BOYS???

Video Arizona State

You are Making ALL Men Look Bad
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AGENDA

- Introduction
- Definition of Sexual Assault
- The Male Perspective – Sexual Assault
- Definition of Sexual Misconduct
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- Force, Intimidation, Coercion, Manipulation
- Yes Means Yes (SB967)
- Gender Violence and Masculinity
- Stats about Sexual Violence
- Behavior Aftermath; Unfortunate Consequences
- So why is it important to recognize the signs
- Verbal and Non-Verbal Cues
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AGENDA (Continued)

-Men Against Abuse Now (MAAN): Stanford University
-Program Mission
-Myths on Victim-Blaming
-Myths on Causes of Sexual Assault
-Myths on Stranger Rape
-Myths about relinquishing one’s right to say ‘no’
-Alcohol and Consent
-Same-Sex and Sexual Assault
-Why Doesn’t She Just Leave Him/Her?
-Starting points – What Men Can Do to End Violence Against Women
Definition of Sexual Assault

Any involuntary sexual act in which a person is coerced or physically forced to engage against their will, or any non-consensual sexual touching of a person. Sexual Assault is a form of sexual violence.

What percentage of assaults are committed by men?
The Male Perspective - Sexual Assault

About 98-99% of sexual assaults are committed by Men.
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The Male Perspective – Examples of Sexual Assault

-Sexual Assault
-Date/Acquaintance Rape
-Rape
-Attempted Rape
-Child Molestation
-Sexual Harassment
-Threats
The Male Perspective – Why is this happening? Simple Case of “Boys Will Be Boys”?
The Male Perspective – Mixture of several reasons:
Acceptance of Victimization and Victim-Blaming
Alcohol Use
Learned Behaviors
Media
Personal home experiences
Acceptance of these behaviors at home
Suggestion of male dominance

What other reasons can exist?
Definition of Sexual Misconduct
A broad term encompassing any unwelcome behavior of a sexual nature that is committed without consent or by force, intimidation, coercion, or manipulation.
Examples of Sexual Misconduct?
The Male Perspective - Sexual Misconduct

What are some examples? **Physical Force**
The Male Perspective - Sexual Misconduct

What are some examples? Intimidation
The Male Perspective - Sexual Misconduct

What are some examples?

Coercion
The Male Perspective - Sexual Misconduct

What are some examples?

Manipulation
- Sex offenders are overwhelmingly white males
- Most sex offenders were not sexually or physically abused as children
- Most likely to happen where sexual violence goes unpunished
- Sex offenders are experts at rationalizing their behavior
- There is no “typical profile” of a rapist

What contributes to this ideology?

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The Male Perspective
Sexual Misconduct and/or Violence

Potential contributors to the ideology of acceptance:

Sex-role socialization
Rape Myths
Lack of sanctions for abuse
Male peer group support
Influence of Pornography
Alcohol and Drugs
All-male membership groups such as fraternities and sports teams
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Current Climate: Yes Means Yes (SB967)

Video Yes Means Yes

Yes Means Yes - PBA
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In a nutshell:
- Yes Means Yes is now CA law
- Persons must give “an affirmative, unambiguous, and conscious decision by each participant to engage in a mutually agreed-upon sexual activity”
- The key here is to be able to communicate your consent
- What is now NOT Consent?

IF IT’S NOT CLEAR IT’S NOT CONSENT

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- Past Consent is not Consent
- Silence is not Consent
- Absence of Resistance is not Consent
What is Gender Violence and how does it align with the ideology of Masculinity?
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- Rape
- Sexual Assault
- Sexual Harassment
- Stalking
- Prostitution
- Sex Trafficking
- Domestic/Dating Violence in Heterosexual/Same Sex Relationships

Includes

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What is Gender Violence and how does it align with ideology of Masculinity?

- Term supports the societal norm that gender violence contributes to a person’s overall masculinity
- Gender is considered to be the most powerful predictor of rape, sexual assault and relationship violence
- Crimes are predominately against women and perpetuated by men

What motivates men to do this? Simple Case of Boys Will Be Boys??
What is Gender Violence and how does it align with ideology of Masculinity?

- Aggression
- Revenge
- Competition
- Sense of Entitlement
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Boys Will Be Boys??
The argument that 'boys will be boys' actually carries the profoundly anti-male implication that we should expect bad behavior from boys and men. The assumption is that they are somehow not capable of acting appropriately, or treating girls and women with respect.

Jackson Katz
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Statistics about Sexual Violence

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1 in 71 men will be raped at some point in their lives.
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Behavior Aftermath; Unfortunate Consequences

Board Policy 4420 Student Conduct

The Santa Monica Community College District has established regulations to encourage students to conduct themselves as responsible members of the college community in a manner compatible with the educational mission of the District.
Behavior Aftermath; Unfortunate Consequences

Official Notification: Notice of Suspension

Major Components
- Notification of Action
- Description of violation(s)- includes dates, details of incidences
- Board Policy or Administrative Regulation Violation
Behavior Aftermath; Unfortunate Consequences

Official Notification: Notice of Suspension

- Provisions
  Continued disruptive behavior;
  Assault; Battery; threat of force or violence;
  Violation of college policies
  Repeated and serious misconduct
- Notice of formal conference
- Rights appeal
Behavior Aftermath; Unfortunate Consequences

Issuance of a 626.

What is a 626?
Behavior Aftermath; Unfortunate Consequences
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Behavior Aftermath; Unfortunate Consequences
Criminal Protective Order-Domestic Violence

People of the State of California Vs.....

Elements include:
- Date Range
- Just Cause
  Harass, Strike, Threaten, Assault (sexually or otherwise), follow, stalk, molest, destroy or
damage personal or real property, disturb the peace, keep under surveillance, or block
movements of the protected persons named
- End Result
  Electronic monitoring, no personal contact, must not come within ________ feet
  Other Stay-away orders
So what can you do to avoid getting anywhere near this predicament?
Verbal and Non-Verbal Cues

Is this the green light? Or are they just being nice
Men Against Abuse Now (MAAN); Stanford University

Program Mission: To lead men in joining women to free the world of men’s violence against women. With this mission, they bring into light the challenges of societal norms
Myths on Victim-Blaming
-Any thoughts, beliefs, or statements that imply that the victim in some way deserved, desired or is culpable for the crime committed against them.
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-Focuses on what the victim could have done to avoid victimization vs. holding the perpetrator accountable for his/her (statistically speaking—mostly his) actions

Amber Rose Interview
Myths on Sexual Assault
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-Rape or sexual assault is cause by the perpetrator’s uncontrollable sexual urge...
NO! What happened to you is a crime! You are not to blame for your assailants behavior
-By making this crime more about sex and not about violence, this crime seems more acceptable and less severe
-This viewpoint excuses the behavior that he/she simply “took it too far”
Myths on Stranger Rape

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Most rapes are committed by a complete stranger, someone you just met or someone that is creeping in the bushes.
NO! Most rapes are committed by someone that the victim knows: a neighbor, friend, acquaintance, co-worker, classmate, spouse, or ex-partner.
Myths about relinquishing one’s right to say ‘no’
“She had sex with him before, so it wasn’t assault”

“She was walking in a bad part of town with a mini-skirt on at 1 AM-she was asking for it”
 Myth: The reason why men get raped is because homosexual men are raping them, and LGBTQ individuals rape more likely to be sex offenders than heterosexual men
There are no statistics that support this myth. In fact, sex offenders are likely to be heterosexual individuals. Sexual assault is a crime. No one ever deserves to be raped!
Myths about Alcohol and Consent
“If you wouldn’t have been drinking, you wouldn’t have been sexually assaulted”
Note that if a person is unconscious or their judgement is impaired by alcohol or drugs, legally they are unable to give consent.

-Alcohol is a weapon that some perpetrators use to control their victim and render them helpless.

-Amnesty for victim(s) – alcohol and/or drugs
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-Alcohol is not a cause of rape! It is only one of many tools that perpetrators use to take advantage of their victims.
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Why Doesn’t She Just Leave Him/Her?
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Why Doesn’t She Just Leave Him/Her?

Fear/Retaliation
Forced Contact (classroom, campus in general)
Shared community members
Isolation from friends
Hope/belief that the partner will change
Economic Necessity
Why Doesn’t She Just Leave Him?

Shame and guilt
Depression
Immigration Status
Children

Another case of Boys will be Boys???

TIME FOR CHANGE;
TIME TO GROW UP
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SCRATCH THAT!

IT’S TIME FOR

BOYS TO BECOME RESPONSIBLE MEN
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So can we get from:
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To a happier medium:
So let’s ask ourselves:

What Can Men Do to End Violence Against Women
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Be Aware

1. Better choice of words. Words are very powerful!

(i.e. Bitch, Freak, Whore, Baby)
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Be Aware

2. Acknowledge that rape and relationship abuse is more common than we think
Be Aware

3. Understand the arguments against pornography
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Speak Up! Do not stay silent

1. You may not see rape or abuse, but you will see and hear attitudes towards it; stop degrading women
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Speak Up! Do not stay silent

2. Do not engage in any form sexual harassment (i.e. cat calling, wolf-whistling, unwanted touching, child-like behavior). YOU ARE AN ADULT. A RESPONSIBLE ADULT.
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3. Develop an awareness of cultural support for violence against women.
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4. If a brother, friend, classmate or teammate is abusing his female (or male) partner, don’t look the other way. Talk to him about it. Have the courage to bring it to his attention. Don’t remain silent.
Talk with Women

1. Develop positive relationships with women. Have a conversation about how violence affects their daily life.
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Talk with Women

2. Learn all you can on how violence against women impacts their daily life.
3. When someone discloses they have been raped. Believe them and listen to them (no judgement)
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Talk with Men

1. Mentor and teach young men about how to be responsible men in ways that do not degrade, belittle or abuse women and girls.
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Talk with Men

2. LEAD BY EXAMPLE
Talk with Men

3. Approach gender violence as a MEN’S Issue involving men of all ages
Talk with Men (MY FAVORITE)

View men not only as perpetrators or possible offenders, but as:

empowered bystanders who can confront abusive peers.
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ABOVE ALL – CONFRONT YOURSELF

- Confidence to confront your own actions, beliefs and opinions

- Develop the strength to look inside and admit your own faults and commit to changing the way you think
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Become educated on this topic and allow yourself to be more engaged
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Don’t have sex with anyone who is not a willing participant
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(Center for Relationship Abuse Awareness) says:

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Don’t abuse your girlfriends or partners.
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Love Them.
Cherish Them.
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Treat Them With Kindness.
Honor Them.
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And They Will Love You Back!
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