

## **Parent Education Seminar**

7 - 9 pm

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O'Gorman Center

4625 Garnet St, Torrance

### **Bullying...Solutions for our Schools**

We've all been affected by school bullying and peer abuse. Maybe your child feels lonely and sad because classmates pick on your child and you don't know what to do. Maybe your child is the bully, or the bystander and feel powerless to stop it.

Jodee Blanco, renowned expert on Bullying and Children is coming to St James Parish to share her insights. Author of *It's NOT Just Joking Around!* and *Please Stop Laughing at Us*.

#### ***A mistake too many parents & teachers make . . .***

"My parents and my teachers told me to 'ignore the bullies, don't give them the satisfaction.' Today, I think of all the adults who give kids the same advice. We preach to our children not to be bystanders, that if you see someone getting picked on, stand up and defend that person, but if *you're* the one who's being harassed, ignore it. Isn't that a mixed message? It always made me wonder, why was I less worth defending than someone else?"

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