I think that teen violence is an issue that should be stopped. Teen violence is a horrible thing to be stopped. I know at my school we have classes that teach us how to be peaceful and stop arguments or fights. Also, for each year we have a topic and biase what we learn on that topic and this year is identity. Knowing who you are helps you to stay true to your self no matter were life takes you. I think programs and classes like this really help you realize that violence isn't ok and needs to be stopped.

Teen violence usually starts because you have seen and heard a lot of bad things since you were little. You don't realize that these things hurt thousands of people, not only physically, but emotionally. I mean, take a look at movie theaters, or the radio. They talk about violence all the time. If you walk in to a movie theater the first thing you see are pictures of guns, knives, blood, people screaming and bow and arrows. They are sending out a message that
violence is ok, and it isn’t. Also in many movies sent out for little kids, express physical appearance very harshly. They send out messages of racism and sexism. For example, in the Peter Pan there is this one scene where people get kidnapped by “Indians” and then they get taken to a place where they do a dance while making funny noises and smoke and then turn green. None of this is true about Native Americans. Then when they get older they get older they will see a person who looks Native American to them and will make fun of them. That shows a slight sign of bullying and they will think it is ok, because they saw it in the movie. When in reality it isn’t. This shows that teen violence can start when you start to think about things in a certain way when you are little.

The people who commit teen violence are usually once the person being bullied. Next the person ends up being a bystander, watching people being bullied or violent crimes. Before you know it they are committing violent crimes every week. They place where teen violence needs to be stopped is where they are the bystander, where instead they stop the fight. If they are nudged to thinking or just notice them when then when they are, they will stop people violent.