

# Teeth. The No. 1 physical feature targeted by bullies



## Dr. Spokane is braced for bullies !

**Andrew was mocked** and taunted because his front teeth stuck out.

The cruel looks and name-calling hugely impacted his confidence and self-esteem.

Andrew's experience is not isolated.

A recent study revealed that teeth were the No. 1 targeted physical feature to increase a child's chance of being bullied. Almost 13% of adolescents aged between 10-14 years examined for orthodontic treatment had been bullied. That's 13 of every 100 young people!

Dental appearance a concern?

Discuss available treatment options with a board-certified orthodontist to:

- make sure your child's jaw and teeth are developing normally.
- reassure your child how orthodontic treatment creates beautiful smiles.
- reinforce the message so you and your child do not worry about their teeth. Their smile will get better with treatment.

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