



6. Taunting A Disabled Underling

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In August 2008, Wendy Portillo, a kindergarten teacher in Port St. Lucie, Fla., allegedly had every member of her class say what they didn't like about their 5-year-old special needs classmate. She then had them vote as to whether the boy should stay in the class. F14 voted him out; two voted that he should stay. The teacher then asked the boy, who was being tested for autism, what he should do next.

"I guess I'll go sit with the principal," he reportedly said. Portillo then allegedly said that the principal didn't want him around either. The case did not meet the criteria for emotional child abuse, according to the state's attorney's office, so no criminal charges were filed.

But Portillo was suspended from teaching for one year without pay and her tenure was revoked. In an appeal, Portillo won back her tenure.