



Make a Lapel Pin “Go Blue to End Mean” Awareness Ribbon

The blue ribbon lapel pin can be a powerful symbol to increase awareness about bullying in your school, and it's easy to make for yourself and your friends.

Follow the directions below to make your own pink ribbon lapel pin; no sewing required. Finished size: 1½" by 5/8".

You will need:

- Three inches of blue ribbon, a quarter-inch wide.
- One small pin or safety pin (available at most Dollar stores)
- Scissors

Directions:

Cut a three-inch length of ribbon, snipping both ends at an angle. Lay the ribbon out horizontally with the shorter edge on top. Hold down the ribbon's midpoint. Grasp the left end and fold so it points down and slightly across the midpoint. The fold can be a soft curve or a crisp line.

Cut your ribbon using scissors. You may want to make sure you cut your desired lines by using a straightedge or ruler and tracing along your cut. Try to make sure that the angles of your cut match each other on each end of the ribbon.

To fold your ribbon, fold one half over the other half and leave an "eye" in the middle to form the classic ribbon shape. When complete it will look like a "Figure 8" with one end open. Where the ribbon crosses itself, use the small pin to hold the ribbon in place, concealing the pin behind the ribbon.

This same pin can be used to attach the ribbon to a collar or lapel. You'll need to remove the pin from the ribbon, saving the fold, then work from inside your shirt to pin on the folded pink ribbon.

Options:

You can also use super strength glue to hold the ribbon together; then double stick tape or a safety pin can hold it to lapel.

