

Ethics in Education



Standards:

This course aligns to all of the INTASC Standards including Learner Development, Learning Differences, Learning Environments, Content Knowledge, Application of Content, Assessment, Planning for Instruction and Instructional Strategies.

It also aligns to all of the McRel Teacher Evaluation Standards including Teacher Leadership, Diverse Learners, Teachers Know Content, Teachers Facilitate Learning and Teachers Analyze and Reflect.

We all have an innate ethical sense that urges us to make choices. The information provided here are focused on enabling teachers to broaden their understanding of ethical issues.

Teachers explore growth in ethical areas of academic excellence, boundaries, and academic integrity. From protocols for social media, reporting abuse, transference and plagiarism, these issues are where ethics and education meet. This course is full of practical strategies, resources, and guidelines for teachers to implement in their particular teaching situations. Through reflection and introspection, teachers develop an understanding of their ethical self and are given a range of tips to bring high ethical standards into every stage of their educational practice.



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Course Outline

SECTION A: Ethics for Education Professionals

LESSON 1: Ethics in School

- Examining morals, ethics, and laws while understanding subtle differences between them
- Insight on schools of thought and ethical models
- Professionalism and how it applies to teachers
- Reviewing basic ethical practices

LESSON 2: Ethical Boundaries

- Types of boundaries and establishing boundaries through communication, both verbal and non-verbal
- Transference
- Insight on challenging ethical issues, including excessive thinking, jealousy, and inappropriate relationships, as well as how these may be avoided

LESSON 3: Ethical Behaviors

- Professional habits, including the infusion of modesty, fidelity, and civility
- Understanding appropriate behavior, including touch and conversation
- Practical strategies that can be used to maintain positive professional relationships with students, colleagues, and parents
- Virtues and traits that are the cornerstone for every professional teacher

LESSON 4: Ethics in Practice

- A framework for making ethical decisions in the context of the classroom and school
- Strategies to promote school-wide ethical practice, including mentoring, PD, ethical committee, ethical code of conduct, and an honor code.

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SECTION B: Ethical Conduct in Education

LESSON 1: Ethical Understanding

- Why ethics?
- Growing in ethics
- Ethical culture
- Ethical conduct

LESSON 2: Academic Excellence

- Commitment to student learning
- Quality education
- Professional growth
- Research practices

LESSON 3: Behaviors and Boundaries

- Safe learning environments and technology safety
- Professional, relationship, and physical boundaries
- Dignity and respect
- Confidentiality and trust

LESSON 4: Academic Integrity

- The hero code
- Integrity and education
- Establish expectations and use formative assessment
- Create an honor code and grade objectively

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