

Student Safety and the Technology-rich Classroom



Standards:

This course aligns to the INTASC Standards including Learner Development, Learning Differences, Learning Environments, Planning for Instruction and Instructional Strategies.

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

Acknowledging the widespread threats to children's safety in today's world, this course equips teachers with a rich bank of information as well as practical strategies to promote students' safety, both in the real and online world.

In the first section, teachers discover the threats that exist online and how to protect their students. This includes information on cyberbullying, grooming, online predators.

The second section empowers teachers to recognize signs and indicators of suspected child abuse and human trafficking.



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Course Outline

SECTION A: Internet Safety in a Connected World

LESSON 1: Connecting on the Internet

- Social media
- Features and red flags of social media
- Posting and viewing photographs and videos safely
- Smart watches

LESSON 2: The Internet in Daily Life

- Diverse means of electronic communication
- Gaming and virtual worlds
- E-commerce and digital footprints
- Existing dangers
- Interactive scenarios:
- Handling peer pressure and secure chatting options

LESSON 3: Downloading from the Internet

- Shielding unauthorized copying and piracy
- Sending out files
- Plagiarism
- Software that harms computers and guidelines to prevent this

LESSON 4: Staying Safe on the Internet

- Online predators and their behaviors – grooming and gifting
- Cyberbullying: forms and effects
- Monitoring software and parental controls with usage agreements
- Reporting online crimes, gathering evidence, and calling for help

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SECTION B: Child Abuse Prevention

LESSON 1: Introduction to Child Abuse and Trafficking

- Defining child abuse and neglect
- Exploring the different types of child abuse and neglect and identifying the signs and behaviors characterizing each type
- Defining Trafficking
- Exploring the signs, types and risk factors for trafficking

LESSON 2: Child Abuse Perpetrators

- Exploring the characteristics of child abuse perpetrators
- Identifying the causes and risk factors leading to child abuse and neglect and the role of technology in child maltreatment
- Understanding how and where child abuse can occur and learning about the process of grooming

LESSON 3: Reporting Child Abuse

- Understanding mandated reporting and the role of educators as mandated reporters
- Learning how to report cases of child abuse and neglect, its procedures and formalities
- Exploring the procedures of Child Protection Services and how to assist them with their investigation

LESSON 4: Prevention of Child Abuse

- Exploring the role of educators in preventing child abuse and neglect
- Identifying child abuse preventive strategies that educators can engage in at the classroom, school, and community level
- Identifying strategies by which the cycle of abuse can be prevented or broken

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