

Child Abuse Prevention



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 and Teachers Facilitate Learning.

Protecting children is the role and responsibility of every adult. This course helps educators maintain safe and secure learning environments.

Educators need to be aware of red flags indicating a child is being abused. The first section tackles this very sensitive issue and aims to equip teachers with the essentials of recognizing and preventing abuse and trafficking.

In the second section, educators learn how to prevent and respond to bullying.

The third section stresses professional behaviors and ethical standards. Teachers are encouraged to promote ethical policies and practices in schools.



Official Transcript:
1 Semester Credit



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Course Outline

SECTION A: 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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SECTION B: Bullying - The Golden Rule Approach

LESSON 1: Understanding Bullying

- The role and impact of bullying among students
- The Golden rule (The Law of Reciprocity) – Meaning and Application
- Similarities between a bully and a victim
- Friendly Approach vs Bully Approach

LESSON 2: Principles

- Principles and Recommended practices while dealing with bullying
- Implementing the Golden Rule
- Teacher's role: Judge or Disciplinarian
- Freedom of speech and limits of speech

LESSON 3: Bullies to Buddies (B2B) Rules

- Strategies to help students turn bullies into their buddies
- Closer look on the B2B Strategies with video demonstrations
- Applying the B2B practices under various circumstances

LESSON 4: How You Can Help

- Handling Verbal attacks and rumors
- Tackling physical attacks among children
- Dealing with Cyber-bullying
- Tackling bullying effectively in the workplace

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SECTION C: 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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