

Safety and Violence Prevention Training

Instructions for completing this training:

- Read **OVERVIEW** Word document.
- View each module's power point presentation.
- Read the Word documents for each module.
- The Word documents titled **HANDOUT** have information regarding resources for your use as needed.
- Print, complete and make a copy of the certificate--turn one copy into your principal and keep one copy for your records.
- Repeat this training every five years.
- If you have problems or concerns regarding this training please contact your principal or Rhonda Smith, school nurse.

This curriculum is designed to be delivered in its entirety in a four-hour time period. However, each topic can be presented on its own in a one-hour presentation. Regardless of the delivery modality, it is important to note that the curriculum must be presented in order, starting with Module One.

While educators are not expected to provide mental health services to children, they do have an opportunity to effectively identify children who are experiencing behavioral and mental health issues and refer them to the appropriate intervention services.

School educators see children on a daily basis, and may notice subtle changes in behavior that may be early warning signs. It is important to note that educators are not being asked to provide therapeutic interventions. Rather, the curriculum highlights the need for educators to *recognize, reach out, and refer* young people for help from behavioral and mental health professionals before problems become crises.

As an educator in the state of Ohio, you are a mandated reporter of suspected child abuse in any form. According to the Ohio Revised Code, you must report knowledge or suspicion of any form of child abuse to your local child protective services agency.