The Child Abuse Prevention Program

This program focuses on teaching children how to recognize dangerous and abusive situations and how to seek help from trusted adults. Preschool and early elementary school children learn the difference between safe and unsafe touches, while older children learn about Shaken Baby Syndrome, neglect, physical, sexual, and emotional abuse, as well as domestic violence. The goal of the Child Abuse Prevention Program is to help increase children's safety skills by providing positive, empowering, and informative presentations in child-serving settings, in an age-appropriate way.

Have questions?

Call (419) 244-3053 ext. 233

This program is provided free of charge, and meets and exceeds the mandate for a personal safety and assault prevention program outlined in O.R.C. 3313.60 (Prescribed Curriculum). Schools or child-serving organizations interested in implementing this program should contact the Program Coordinator by calling the above number. Important staff and parent trainings are also available.

As parents, guardians, and role models it is our job to raise our children to be happy, healthy, and productive members of our society. The Child Abuse Prevention Program helps with this!

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The Child Abuse Prevention Program has been presented to preschool, kindergarten, and 1st-4th grade students for 33 years. Curricula is also available for students up to 12th grade!

The Child Abuse Prevention Program:

- is presented to up to 10,000 children annually in Ohio.
- was evaluated by researchers and found to be highly effective.



- is age appropriate, non-threatening, and highly interactive.
- teaches children to identify dangerous situations.
- teaches kids to trust their feelings.
- teaches children that the best way to handle any perceived problem is to talk to an adult they trust.
- significantly increases personal safety skills via problem solving strategies.
- teaches children important safety rules, and how to use them assertively.
- teaches children that they have rights, and that they deserve to have a high self-esteem.

Personal safety lessons should not be taught just once! These lessons must be repeated at home and at school.

Together, we can create a community that strives to keep EVERY child safe! The Child Abuse Prevention Program is one very valuable piece of the puzzle!









