

The FBI and CyberSmart! Reach-Out to Teachers with Free Curriculum

The FBI's Community Outreach Unit shares lessons for safe, ethical and effective technology with K-8 schools

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Young people need guidance to use technology in ways that encourage safe and responsible behaviors, as well as academic achievement in our increasingly technology-driven society. To this end, the FBI's Community Outreach Unit is introducing K-8 schools nationwide to The CyberSmart! Curriculum beginning Fall 2004.

The CyberSmart! Curriculum, distributed via the Internet, provides teachers with 64 standards-based, non-sequential lessons complementing all academic subjects. CyberSmart! lessons are grade-appropriate, and focus on:

- Safety: Using the Internet safely
- Manners: Social, legal and ethical responsibilities
- Advertising: Identifying commercial messages and protecting privacy
- Research: Effectively using the Internet for academic purposes
- Technology: Securing computers and data from harm

CyberSmart! Curriculum features include:

- Instant access to free CyberSmart! lesson plans and student activities at the CyberSmart! web site, www.becybersmart.org
- No formal registration, start date or other requirements for use
- All classroom teachers, librarians, media specialists, technology, school safety/character educators and others are encouraged to participate
- The CyberSmart! Curriculum is non-sequential where any number of lessons can be taught in any order
- All lessons are standards-based and can help make teaching and learning more efficient regardless of what is being taught

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