

#### **Lesson 4: Problem Solving - Gangs and Violence**

Designed to provide a realistic look at what causes young people to get angry. This lesson also looks at ways to resolve conflict and develop problem-solving skills. A legal look at gangs, and Drug and Weapon Free School Zones will also be discussed.

#### **Lesson 5: Understanding the Court System**

Designed to provide the students with an educational lecture on the roles and functions of the court system. Interactive exercises will include various hypothetical court cases allowing the class to actively participate.

#### **Lesson 6: Plain Facts about Fire: Facing the Consequences**

Designed to provide fire safety education, develop fire-safe behavior, and avoid participation in fire play. Students will discuss fire situations and fire evacuation plans.

#### **Lesson 7: Gun Safety Begins with You**

Designed to introduce students to state and federal gun laws, as well as the significance of gun safety prevention. Students will develop solutions in regard to illegal firearms and unintentional deaths.

#### **Lesson 8: Responsible Internet Use**

Designed to educate students on personal protection awareness regarding the Internet. Laws that affect Internet use will also be discussed.

#### **Lesson 9: A Relationship Is No Place For Violence**

Designed to provide knowledge of the extent, causes, and solutions of domestic and dating violence. Laws that affect domestic and dating violence are addressed.

#### **Lesson 10: Homeland Security: Every Citizen's Responsibility**

Students are introduced to terrorism, Homeland Security, and the Seven Signs of Terrorism. Students also learn about community preparedness and how to construct an emergency "Go Kit", as well as other action items that can be taken, which will make their communities safer.

#### **Lesson 11: Defensive Driving – Arrive Alive**

Designed to provide students with a practical application and information to defensive driving. This lesson is not intended to replace an established driver's education program but to supplement one. It will address defensive driving, along with the basics of using a motor vehicle in a safe manner on Michigan roads. Traffic laws that are most commonly violated by young people will be discussed.

## **T.E.A.M. SCHOOL LIAISON PROGRAM**

The Teaching Education, And Mentoring (T.E.A.M.) School Liaison Program is a school-based "law related" education program taught by specially trained law enforcement officers. T.E.A.M. is a proactive effort to make schools and communities safer, promote responsible citizenship, and encourage positive character traits.

The curriculum at elementary, middle school, and high school provide students with a thorough understanding of laws and their responsibility as a citizen to obey laws. T.E.A.M. is flexible and adaptable to virtually all classroom settings. Each lesson is approximately 30 to 40 minutes in length and can be used as a stand-alone program for assemblies or special events, or can be instructed in a consecutive sequence. Working together, the police officer, the classroom teacher, and school official decide when it is most appropriate to incorporate a T.E.A.M. lesson that will assist in classroom instruction.

In 1998, T.E.A.M. was developed by the Michigan Department of State Police, in collaboration with public and private school curriculum experts. The most widely implemented school health education curriculum Michigan Model was used as the basic foundation to create the T.E.A.M. School Liaison Program.

The T.E.A.M. School Liaison Program's goal is to unite educators, students, and law enforcement to play an integral part in preventing crime. The philosophy is that while working together as a team we can create relationships and be united in protecting children from becoming victims of crime.

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# **T.E.A.M. Teaching, Educating, And Mentoring**

## **School Liaison Program**



# **Curriculum Summaries**

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CURRICULUM

### GRADES:

Kindergarten/First/Second  
(30 mins. each lesson)

#### Lesson 1: I Know My “Big 5” Safety Rules

Designed to help acquaint the students with some very basic safety rules.

#### Lesson 2: What is “911?”

Designed to make students aware of how and when to call for help. Through an interactive exercise, the concept of using a telephone to dial the 911 emergency operator will be practiced.

#### Lesson 3: Someone Special, Someone Safe - That’s Me!

Designed to provide information to the students on traffic, bicycle, and pedestrian safety.

#### Lesson 4: I Have a Plan

Designed to assist students learn important fire safety habits that can protect them.

#### Lesson 5: Let’s Learn About Gun Safety

Designed to provide young people with important gun safety rules.

#### Lesson 6: Computers and You

Designed to provide students with a better understanding of how a computer works and its purpose.

#### Lesson 7: Get Ready, Get Safe

Designed to acquaint elementary school children with basic ways to recognize, prepare, and feel safe when faced with an emergency situation.

### GRADES:

Third/Fourth/Fifth  
(30 mins. each lesson)

#### Lesson 1: Why Do We Have Rules and Laws?

Designed to help familiarize students with their basic rights and discuss safety awareness by understanding the importance of rules and laws.

#### Lesson 2: I Will Stay Safe

Designed to provide the students with information concerning safety and how to avoid dangerous situations.

#### Lesson 3: Drugs Are Dangerous

Designed to provide students with the necessary information about how drugs can harm them.

#### Lesson 4: Fire Safety is Important to Me

Designed to provide students with positive information concerning fire safety.

#### Lesson 5: Let’s Stop and Think About Gun Safety

Designed to provide students with key gun safety rules, as well as help them develop anti-victim prevention strategies.

#### Lesson 6: The Internet: Stay Safe and Have Fun

Designed to provide students with information that the Internet is a fun and educational tool, but can also be very dangerous.

#### Lesson 7: Feeling Safe and Secure

Designed for students to understand the importance of being prepared for emergency situations and how they may be able to help when an emergency situation develops.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL CURRICULUM

### GRADES:

Sixth/Seventh/Eighth  
(45 Minute Lesson)

Eight lessons that help students recognize danger and the consequences of unlawful and youthful risk-taking behavior.

#### Lesson 1: Laws and Rules - What is the Difference

Designed to improve the citizenship skills of students by understanding the rule of law in society and how laws pervade their daily living.

#### Lesson 2: Crime and the Community

Designed to help teens recognize crime. Students will look at under-utilized crime prevention and community building resources.

#### Lesson 3: Being Safe Means Recognizing Danger

Designed to bring awareness regarding personal safety issues so the student will recognize risks and the potential consequences of risks.

#### Lesson 4: Violence Does Not Belong in My School

Designed to help educate students on the cause and effect of violence and the seriousness of gangs. Also includes learning skills necessary for constructively handling conflict.

#### Lesson 5: Fire Prevention Begins with Me

Designed to increase the student’s knowledge regarding fire prevention. Students will learn how to apply problem-solving skills to identify risks and consequences of playing with fire.

#### Lesson 6: Gun Safety We Can Live With

Designed to help students recognize that the misuse of weapons can cause serious injury or death. Law and legal requirements regarding weapons will also be addressed.

#### Lesson 7: Safety in Cyberspace

Designed to help students learn that the Internet is a fun and educational tool, but to use common sense as it can be very dangerous. Laws affecting Internet use will also be addressed.

#### Lesson 8: Take Action

Students are introduced to terrorism and how it has changed our world and created the need for Homeland Security. Students are also introduced to the concept of community preparedness and things they can do that will make their schools and communities safer.

## HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM

### GRADES:

Ninth/Tenth/Eleventh/Twelfth  
(45 Minute Lesson)

Ten lessons are designed to educate young adults on issues that can affect them.

#### Lesson 1: Understanding Law Enforcement

Designed to provide a realistic picture of the roles and responsibilities of law enforcement officers at federal, state, and local levels.

#### Lesson 2: The Law and You

Designed to educate the students with practical application of constitutional law and the importance of a democratic society. Instruction will also address important legal issues for young people.

#### Lesson 3: Personal Safety

Designed to bring awareness to the students regarding personal safety issues, sexual harassment, G.H.B. (Rape Drug), and bias-motivated violence (hate crimes). Cultural diversity will also be addressed by looking at young people’s actions and attitudes. Vocabulary words include: Criminal Sexual Conduct, Hate Crimes, Sexual Harassment, and Stalking.