

Educator Update – October 2021 Keeping Huron County Educators Informed



This Educator Update includes the following:

- 1. Parenting Course available
- 2. Handle with Care Program
- 3. The 6 Cs

1. Parenting Course Available

Parenting is a tough job! Please share the attached flyer for The Parent Talk System with parents of children and teens. This series of four sessions will be taught by local educators, Scott and Ashlee Mossner. It's held via Zoom and a link will be sent to anyone who registers by November 19. Classes are held on Mondays, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm, on November 22 and 29, and December 6 and 13, 2021. Register at https://forms.gle/xXMDWrSsvRjaeWcQ7

2. Handle with Care Program

All educators recognize what happens to a child at home can negatively impact them in school. Huron County schools participate in a program called Handle with Care. When law enforcement responds to a potentially-traumatic situation that children witness or are involved, they send a Handle with Care notice to the school. Notification will be forwarded via email by Kim Siemen at the HISD.

Educators NEVER ask the child for details, but simply respond with extra care if the student seems to be having a difficult time. While the program is not new, it has not been heavily used in our county. In addition to referrals from emergency responders, parents can also make a Handle with Care request. Attached to this newsletter are supporting documents for using Handle with Care, including one you can customize with your contact information, or the school's designated contact person, should parents wish to notify you directly.

3. The 6 C's

Excerpt from the October, 2021 Main Idea:

Students will no longer tolerate boring and disconnected learning. And most of us cannot honestly say we are preparing our students to thrive in 2030, 2040, and beyond.

"If we want learners who can thrive in turbulent, complex times, apply thinking to new situations, and change the world, we must reimagine learning."

The way to do this is by supporting student development in the 6Cs -- character, citizenship, collaboration, communication, creativity, and critical thinking.

| | Critical thinking Evaluate information and arguments, identify patterns and connections, and experiment and reflect, in order to construct meaningful knowledge and apply it in the real world. |
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| Contraction of the second | Collaboration Work interdependently with a shared sense of purpose and responsibility, make substantive decisions as a team, manage team dynamics and challenges, and learn from and contribute to others' learning. |
| <u>A</u> | Communication Communicate effectively with a variety of audiences by utilizing a range of communication styles and tools. |
| | Creativity Ask the right questions to elicit novel ideas and solutions in order to turn those ideas into real world actions. Identify and address global problems or opportunities in a way that generates economic and/or social benefit for all. |
| T.RU.T.H. | Character Build grit, tenacity, perseverance, and resilience as a life-long learner. Demonstrate emotional self-regulation, personal responsibility, and empathy to thrive in global communities. |
| | Citizenship Think like global citizens, consider global issues based on a deep understanding of diverse values and world views, and show interest in solving complex problems that impact human and environmental sustainability. |