

Humanology Mobile Classroom

The Classroom of the 21st Century



Comprehensive Health Education for the Prevention of HIV/AIDS, Asthma, Diabetes, Drug Abuse, Obesity and Violence

"What a wonderful experience! We would love to have you back!"
4th Grade Teacher, Addams Elementary School

What a wonderful presentation! The kids were interested and I even learned a lot. The visual aspects of this learning opportunity were outstanding. Please come back to Caldwell sometime.
Thank you.

2nd Grade Teacher, Caldwell Elementary

Excellent presentation for kindergarten students.
Kindergarten Teacher, Addams Elementary

This was an excellent presentation. The instructor was aligned with Illinois State Standards. TAM was very useful. The kids in my classes need models to aid in my instruction...[teacher] was very knowledgeable of the anatomy and physiology.

9th Grade Teacher, High School of Leadership at South Shore

The program was interactive and involved the students! Wonderful presentation.
5th Grade Teacher, Dixon Elementary

My students really enjoyed the Humanology lab and presentation. The information was very interesting and valuable for my students. They were extremely engaged and interested in everything Mr. Ward had to say. I hope they can experience this again.

5th Grade Teacher, Warren Elementary

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Rediscover What it Means to be Human...

Summary:

The more a child knows about what makes them special, unique and valued the more respect and enthusiasm they have for life. The Humanology Mobile Classroom prepares young children to be healthy, intelligent and *drug free*. **This world class curriculum combines comprehensive prevention education related to drug use, violence, HIV/AIDS, asthma, diabetes and obesity with the most advanced technology and scientific teaching tools in a self contained interactive mobile classroom.** Specially trained educators use a *transparent anatomical mannequin (TAM)*, *moving body modules that illustrate body functions*, *laser quality audio / visuals*, and an *illuminated star filled ceiling* all custom built into the mobile classroom to give children a unique learning experience. **Students gain valuable life skills while exploring the sciences of biology, anatomy, and ecology with lessons aligned to meet Illinois State Learning Standards in science, health and social education.** Through the interactive technology students gain a visual understanding of the uniqueness of human life and how to protect it. **Each lesson is grade appropriate and builds from one level to the next to continuously engage children in the scientific discovery of themselves.**

Need:

Research indicates that prevention begins with having the right information and skills at an early age to develop healthy life-long skills. By the age of adolescence and as early as the pre-teen years, children have already been influenced by negative behavior patterns in their environment and may be pre-disposed in some cases to disease. For these children prevention is vital. The Humanology Mobile Classroom targets children from K-8th grade (ages 5-14) with a powerful experience that does more than just provide information. Children discover their uniqueness as human beings, their individuality and self-worth. With a positive perspective on their value in the world and that of others, they are more likely not to participate in harmful or destructive behaviors.

Format:

FORUM offers a battery of programs and services, including Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Teen Pregnancy Prevention that work in conjunction with the Humanology Mobile Classroom to provide school based classroom sessions, individual and small group consultations and referral services. The Humanology Mobile Classroom component targets children from kindergarten through 8th grade (ages 5 – 14) and has also been successfully piloted with high school students focusing on teen pregnancy prevention, HIV/AIDS prevention and violence prevention. Teacher and parent programs are available to continue this unique learning experience outside of the mobile classroom. Teachers participate in in-service trainings / orientations to introduce the Humanology Mobile Classroom and provide ways for integration of information into the school curriculum. The parent program corresponds with the student curriculum emphasizing prevention strategies for parents to use at home.

Outcomes:

The Humanology Mobile Classroom targets children when they are most vulnerable and receptive to learn and to change. Within each of the grade level interactive presentations is an underlying message of self-respect, self-control and self-sufficiency that is needed to support youth in making healthy life choices. **A majority (over 80%) of teachers rate the experience as excellent and want the Humanology Mobile Classroom to return.** Your consideration and support of the Humanology Mobile Classroom will give even more children of Chicago an opportunity to reverse unhealthy trends related to drug use, violence, HIV/AIDS, asthma, diabetes and obesity and enter the future healthy and intelligent.