



Philadelphia Police Department

The Vision of the G.R.E.A.T. Program is to prevent youth crime, violence, and gang involvement while developing a positive relationship among law enforcement, families, and our young people through collaboration with other community-based prevention programs to create safer communities.

The G.R.E.A.T. Middle School component is a skills-based curriculum designed to provide knowledge, attitudinal and behavioral rehearsal, cooperative and interactive learning techniques, and extended teacher activities. The curriculum has integrated National Learning English Language Arts Standards and National Health Standards and is based on effective research practices.

The Middle School Curriculum consists of thirteen (13) 45-50 minute lessons, designed to be taught in sequential order.

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G.R.E.A.T. Middle School Curriculum in Philadelphia

Each Police Officer instructs the G.R.E.A.T. Program in public, parochial and charter schools during the school year. They facilitate the G.R.E.A.T. Lessons in the 6th grades during the 13 week program. Ideally, each student receives a G.R.E.A.T. Pencil Pouch and workbook at the beginning of the curriculum and after they complete the 13 week program the students receive a G.R.E.A.T. Incentive item and a Certificate of Accomplishment at graduation.

Making My School a G.R.E.A.T. Place - During Lesson #1 students are asked to think about what you can do to improve your school and make it a G.R.E.A.T. Place. Next, they come up with a plan for how they will present their idea. On the last day of G.R.E.A.T. class the students present or perform their plan for improving their school and making it a G.R.E.A.T. place.

Additionally, the officers are accessible during lunch and recess time for informal questions and discussions.

G.R.E.A.T. Middle School Lessons

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| Lesson #1 | Welcome to G.R.E.A.T. |
| Lesson #2 | What's the Real Deal? |
| Lesson #3 | It's About Us |
| Lesson #4 | Where Do We Go From Here? |
| Lesson #5 | Decisions, Decisions, Decisions |
| Lesson #6 | Do You Hear What I Am Saying? |
| Lesson #7 | Walk In Someone Else's Shoes |
| Lesson #8 | Say It Like You Mean It |
| Lesson #9 | Getting Along Without Going Along |
| Lesson #10 | Keeping Your Cool |
| Lesson #11 | Keeping It Together |
| Lesson #12 | Working It Out |
| Lesson #13 | Looking Back/Graduation |



G.R.E.A.T. Elementary Curriculum

The G.R.E.A.T. Elementary Curriculum consists of six (6) 30-45 minute lessons designed to be taught in sequence at the 4th grade level. Each lesson is accompanied by a Parent letter that the student takes home explaining the lesson and encouraging parent-student interaction.

Lesson #1: G.R.E.A.T. Beginnings

Lesson #2: To Do or Not To Do

Lesson #3: Loud and Clear

Lesson #4: Staying Cool When the Heat is On

Lesson #5: We're All in This Together

Lesson #6: G.R.E.A.T. Days Ahead

How Does G.R.E.A.T. Address Bullying?

G.R.E.A.T. shows children, through role-playing scenarios and structured activities, how to interact with others, communicate, resolve conflict and manage anger.

Types of Bullying Behaviors: Verbal, Nonverbal and Cyber.

Categories of Bullying: Physical, Emotional and Social.

Resources:

National School Safety Center
www.schoolsafety.us/Bullying-p-26.html

National Crime Prevention Council
www.ncpc.org/topics/bullying

Cyberbullying
www.stopcyberbullying.org
www.netsmartz.org



G.R.E.A.T. Summer Program

To provide students with positive activities to fill their free hours over the summer months and increase their opportunities for social, cognitive, and interpersonal growth.

Examples of Summer Activities:

G.R.E.A.T. Lessons
Conflict Resolution
Goal Setting
Self-Image
Cultural Awareness
Communications Skills
Structured Games
Guest Speakers
Swimming

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