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| Topic of Presentation | Cyberbullying Train-the-Trainer |
| Title of Presentation | Sticks and Stones: A Cyberbullying Train-the-Trainer |
| Length of Presentation | 3 hours |
| Presentation Objective | To offer a brief overview of the technology available to today's teens, current internet trends, technological challenges to law enforcement, how Cyberbullying differs from traditional bullying, and the greater implications of Cyberbullying. Most importantly, to provide attendees with the "Sticks and Stones" program as an intervention strategy to combat Cyberbullying in their respective communities. |
| Presentation Description | <p>Today's youth have grown up in a world that is very different from that of most adults. Many young people experience the Internet and other technological advancements as a positive, productive and creative part of their lives and development of their identities - always on and always there.</p> <p>Unfortunately, these same technologies are also being used in a negative manner. One such abuse involves bullying via electronic means, or Cyberbullying. Previously safe and enjoyable environments and activities can all too quickly turn threatening and become a source of anxiety. Current research in this area indicates that Cyberbullying is a part of many young people's lives.</p> |

The introductory part of this presentation will provide a brief overview of the technology available to today's teens, current internet trends, technological challenges to law enforcement, how Cyberbullying differs from traditional bullying, and the greater implications of Cyberbullying.

The presentation will also include a screening of the Cyberbullying film "Sticks and Stones" and a Train-the-Trainer block of instruction that will enable attendees to deploy this anti-Cyberbullying program in their respective communities. Attendees of this session will be provided with a DVD* containing the "Point of No Return" video series, including "Sticks and Stones" and "The Web". The comprehensive Teacher's Guides for each will also be made available.

The latter part of this presentation will offer a detailed case study by a law enforcement official that illustrates the devastation that Cyberbullying can cause.

Speaker Bio

John J. DeVoe is a Detective Sergeant with the River Vale (NJ) Police Department. In addition, he is a Senior Investigator with the Bergen County (NJ) Prosecutor's Office Computer Crimes Task Force, where he also serves as the Educational Outreach Coordinator.

John has attended a host of esteemed trainings, including the F.B.I. National Academy (Session #252), the Mid-Atlantic Law Enforcement Executive Development Seminar, and the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police Command and Leadership Academy.

John earned a Bachelor of Science from John Jay College of Criminal Justice and a Master of Arts from Seton Hall University.

Additional Comments

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