

FLINT & STEEL

Standing Up for What's Right | Being a Model of Excellence | Solid & Unmovable

Objectives

- ◆ **To enable students to build a solid personal identity with clear boundaries that are aligned to values**
- ◆ **To create a context to discuss with students the impact of their decisions today on their future**
- ◆ **To develop a paradigm for students of respect of their peers**
- ◆ **To equip parents with the resources they need to address these complex issues**
- ◆ **To empower families to build a home culture that enables them to talk about these things**



Developing the Whole Child

At Prism we are dedicated to developing the whole child, and we have seen over the years that in order to do so, we have to discuss topics that are potentially uncomfortable yet are vital to develop every student.

It is clear that we are living in unprecedented times where teenagers have to deal with increasingly complex issues. For example, the internet has heightened access to not only pornographic material but also issues such as cyber-stalking, cyber-bullying (now a crime in Arkansas). The danger and consequences of impulsivity has increased at the same time that access to such content has also increased. It

Parent Involvement

There will be a series of articles posted on our blog and handed out relating to these topics throughout the year. Flyers will be posted with the topics we are covering at that time so you can know what to talk about with your student at home. Please be on the lookout for those!

Also, we will host parent nights where we can give parents practical ways to help your child as well as additional information about what we are discussing with your child. There will be an opportunity for you to hear about how to make all your technology devices safe with filters. You won't want to miss those parent nights, so check your email, the Prism blog and Facebook for those dates and times.



is Pandora's box. Once opened—it is incredibly difficult to close. But it is painfully easy to open—as easy as buying a cell phone for your child to use when they are away from you—leaving many children and families open to risk. Parents, too, are aware of these issues and many have asked that Prism become more involved in helping educate their children on these issues.

Prism is committed to developing well-rounded children, and therefore it does not seem as if this is something that can be ignored by the staff. Parents also play a vital role in shaping their child's values, so it is important that these conversations happen not only at school, but also at home. However, we acknowledge that these conversations are not always easy and most families would appreciate some guidance about what to say. For that reason, we are creating supplementary parent resources to accompany these topics this year. This proposal is intended to describe how Prism will address these issues and educate parents while simultaneously limiting any liability issues for the school.

Below you will see outlined a schedule of topics we will address

If you have any questions, feel free to email

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Date	Topic
November	Who am I
December	Self-Worth & Respect
January	Moderating Media
February	Am I a Chameleon or a Giraffe?
March	What's in a Selfie?
April	Assessing Your Risk
May	Being Flint & Steel