Take a Summer Online Course for Credit through Pittsburg State University

The **Bullying Prevention and Response** course offered by Kansas Children’s Service League’s eLearning program is available for undergraduate and graduate level credit through Pittsburg State University.

KCSL has been providing online learning opportunities for early childhood professionals and educators for over 10 years. The eLearning program is partnered with several colleges in Kansas to provide credit for the online courses, with Pittsburg State University offering both undergraduate and graduate level credit.

To enroll in this course with KCSL and receive credit from PSU, professionals need to enroll with KCSL through the online enrollment system located at [elearning.kcsl.org](http://elearning.kcsl.org) (click the button that says "Click to Enroll"). Once a student is enrolled with KCSL, forms will be emailed to fill out and submit to Greenbush for completing the PSU college enrollment.

For professionals taking this class solely for Professional Development Points, the cost for the course is $25 paid to KCSL. For professionals taking the class for college credit from Pittsburg State University, the cost for the course is $50 paid to KCSL plus the cost of tuition ($105.00 for 1.0 credit).

**Available for Enrollment Now:**
- Bullying Prevention and Response (offered July 8 – 28, 2015)

**Credits**

The Bullying Prevention course is approved for 1.0 hour of college credit, and professionals earn "20 points" per course for educators. Professionals taking the course inservice hours/professional development points earn "15 points" per course for educators.

If you have any questions, you may email them directly to [elearning@kcsl.org](mailto:elearning@kcsl.org).

**Featured Courses for Summer 2015**

**Bullying Prevention and Response**

- **Professional Development Points:** 15.0
- **Costs:**
  - $25 if taking only for Professional Development Points
  - $50 if taking for college credit PLUS tuition paid directly to PSU applies
- **Appropriate for Levels K-12**
  - Bullying can affect children of any age, from kindergarten and elementary school years to high school.
• 160,000 students stay home from school every day in the U.S. because of fear of what might happen to them on the bus, the playground, the bathroom, the hallways, the classroom, or going home from school.
• 30% of students reported being bullied in the last year.

While many adults and parents may assume that bullying in schools is a problem that occurs in middle or high school, the fact is that schools, parents and early childhood professionals should take steps to prevent and stop bullying as early as kindergarten and early childhood years. By teaching children about what bullying is and the facts about how and why it is harmful, providers, teachers and parents can set important foundations to stop bullying behavior before it starts.

**Course Description.** Participants in this course will understand the types of bullying and consequences for bullying behaviors. Participants will understand the dynamics of behaviors and the roles of target, bulliers and witnesses. Participants will identify intervention strategies that deal with bullying behaviors they may encounter and develop prevention strategies to use in early childhood to prevent bullying behaviors before they start. This course is instructor-led and interactive through discussions and assignments in course discussion boards.

**How It Works**
• The eLearning course is offered in an online environment.

• During the dates that the class is offered, you choose when and where you participate - it's entirely up to your own schedule. Your course has a schedule with beginning and end dates, but there are no scheduled times that you must attend a "live" class. Instead, coursework and discussions all take place at your convenience through the online environment, during the period of time the course is offered.

• The eLearning course is instructor-led. That means that you'll have someone communicating with you regularly about the course topic, leading the discussions, and be available should you have any questions. You won't be left to "figure it out" on your own. Not only will you have interaction from your instructor, but you'll also experience "conversations" from your peers in the class through the discussion boards.

Please seek approval from your Professional Development Council (PDC) before paying or enrolling in this course. Once the course is approved for content, professional education, or service to the profession, please complete your enrollment.

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