

Initial Evidence of the radKIDS Program in Enhancing Child Safety Development

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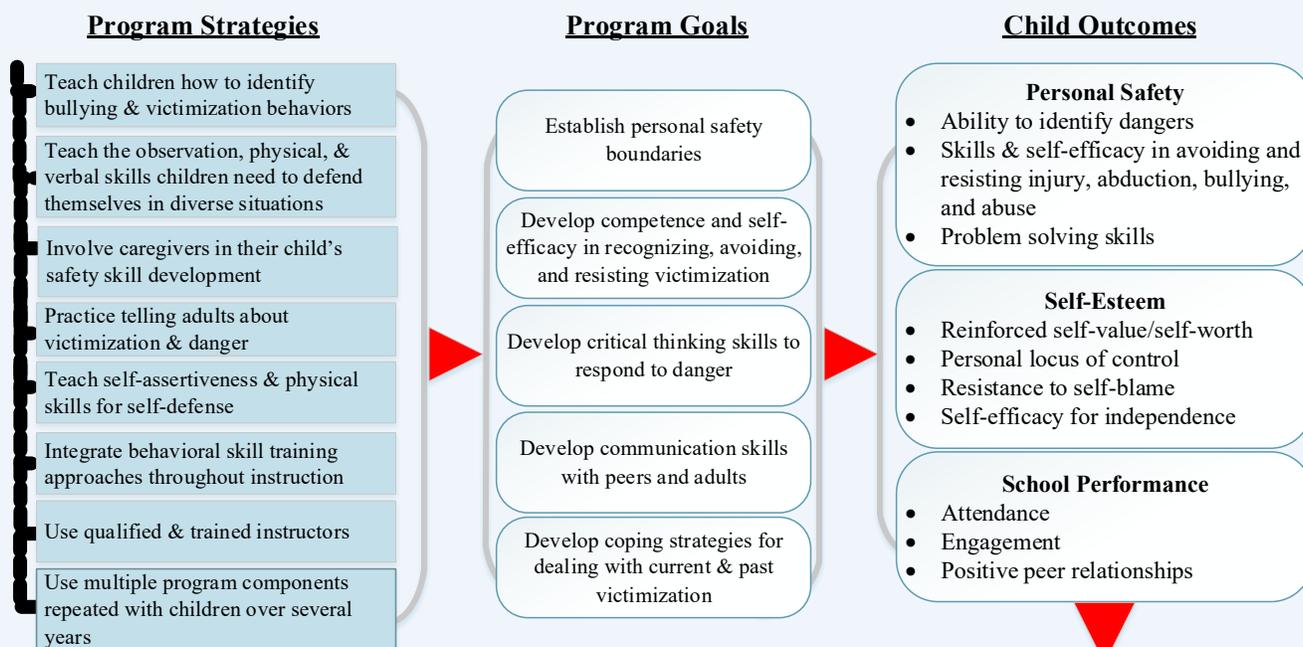
radKIDS is a comprehensive safety education program for children in preschool and elementary school

THE radKIDS PROGRAM

1. Establishing boundaries for personal safety
2. School safety to prevent bullying and victimization
3. Injury prevention and home safety
4. Out and about safety
5. Sexual assault prevention
6. Abduction prevention

Since 2005, *radKIDS* has taught over 300,000 children to protect themselves against peer and adult victimization, including verbal, physical, relational, and cyber abuse, and has trained and certified over 3,000 instructors in 45 states, England and Canada.

radKIDS: Change Mechanisms in Transferring Knowledge, Attitudes & Skills in Child Safety Development



Formation of Life Long Safety Knowledge, Attitudes & Behaviors

radKIDS is based on national guidelines for preventing multiple forms of child victimization

radKIDS® KNOW MORE! They know...

1. **NO ONE** has the right to hurt them because they are **SPECIAL**.
2. They do not have the right to hurt anyone else, including themselves, **UNLESS** someone is trying to hurt them and then they have every right to **STOP** them.
3. If **ANYONE** ever tries to hurt them, trick them, or make them feel bad (inside or out), it is not their fault and they **CAN** tell.



Surveys with 270 elementary school children showed improvements in resisting sexual assault, non-violent responses to bullying, resiliency in rejecting victimizing behavior of others, using resources to avoid and resist victimization, and safety planning.

Child Growth in Safety Knowledge, Attitudes, & Behavior *Pre-Post Percentage of Change Shown in Child Surveys*

- Would report inappropriate touching to a trusted adult
- Recognizes hitting is not the best way to stop a bully
- Understands not to internalize blame for victimization
- Understands how to respond to a threatening dog
- Would call 911 if someone was going to harm them

