

9-1-1 Curriculum for Pre-K - Grade 1

Concept - 9-1-1 is a special number

- What makes 9-1-1 different than other numbers?
- 9-1-1 gets you help fast
- Calling 9-1-1 will cause a police, fire or medical person to go to your home.
- What is the difference between your home number and 9-1-1

Demonstration and Teaching Aids

- What does the number 9 look like? The number 1?
- Recognizing the numbers 9-1-1 on the phone.
- Dial 9, dial 1, and dial 1 again (difference between nine-one-one and nine-eleven. There is no eleven on the phone)
- Demonstrate on various types of phones i.e.: cordless, cell, rotary dial, 9-1-1 simulator
- Police, fire and medical response
 - Share equipment and uniforms.
 - Have police, fire and/or medical staff participate in class
 - Use pictures of police, fire and medical staff

Songs and rhymes are appropriate for this level and help children memorize the number. Utilize different terms and explain vocabulary often used.

Concept - When do you need to use 9-1-1? Distinguishing between emergencies and non-emergencies.

When do you need to call?

- “When you need help fast.”
- Mommy is sick.
- There is a fire.
- There is a stranger in my house and no adult is home.
- If you are home alone or left in the car alone.

Explain that child won't get “in trouble” for calling. Even if it is a mistake, stay on the line.

Demonstration and Teaching Aids

Use flip charts and flash cards to do comparisons on what requires 9-1-1 and what doesn't.

Concept - Providing information to 9-1-1

- What is my address?
- What is my phone number?
- Telling 9-1-1 what is happening.
- Answering the telecommunicator's questions.
- Speaking clearly on the phone.
- Explain that it is normal to feel scared when calling.

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Curriculum Application / Practice Calling

Practice: (9-1-1 simulator may be used.)

- Dialing. Use different types of phones
- Speaking clearly.
- Giving address and phone number.
- Explaining what is happening.
- Answering the dispatcher's questions

Pre-K - Grade 1 Vocabulary

- nine-one-one
- emergency
- address