Ignition
Digital Literacy & Responsibility

Digital literacy is defined as having the knowledge and ability to use technology to find and evaluate information, connect and collaborate with others, and produce and share content. Many falsely think that because children have been immersed in a technology since a young age, they are naturally "digitally literate" or skilled in using technology. Like traditional literacy, children and adults alike benefit from guidance, instruction, and practice.
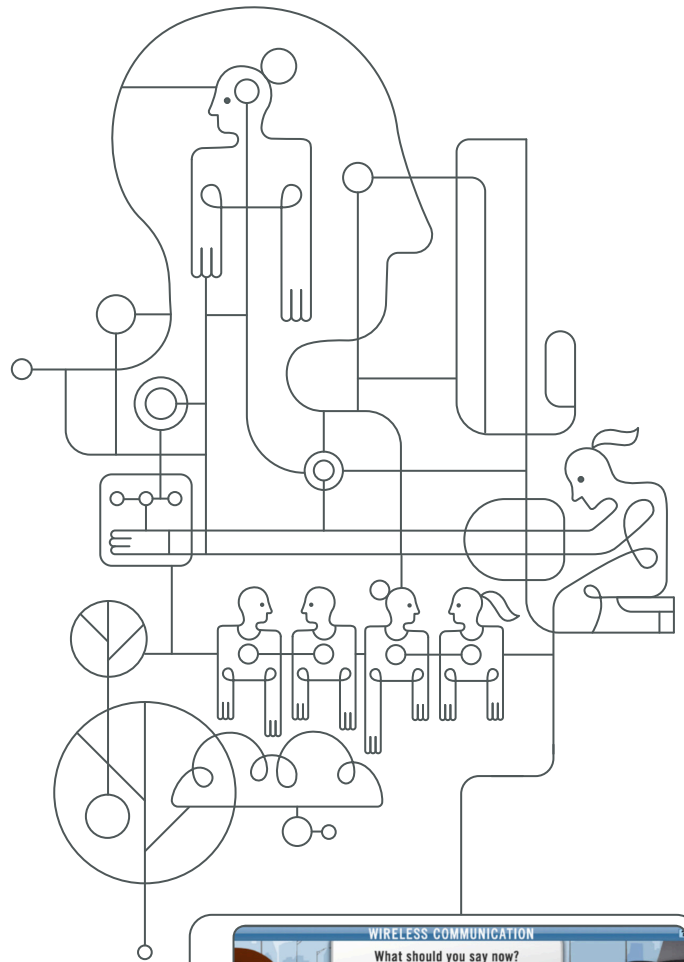
Ignition – Digital Literacy & Responsibility educates students on the nuts and bolts of how technology works while placing them in virtual environments to tackle issues surrounding digital citizenship. The course covers everything from internet safety and cyberbullying to how to evaluate online content and properly credit creators of online content.

Course Highlights

- Rich media and simulations to educate teens and empower them with the skills to leverage technology safety and responsibly

- Unique, real-world simulations that allow students to apply the lessons they have learned

- Robust measurement and assessment of knowledge gains

- Supplemental materials, including curriculum guide and lesson plan

Course Topics

- Short- and long-term personal effects of digital decisions security

- Basic and advanced technology terms concepts, systems, and operations

- Using technology tools to appropriately and responsibly conduct research

- Incorporating technology appropriate into life and career goals

Recommended Grade Level: 6-9

Total Time: 3.5-4 hours
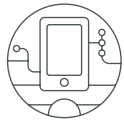
Subject Fit: Computer Technology

Standards Alignment: ISTE Standards for Students established by the International Society of Technology in Education (ISTE)

Course Flow
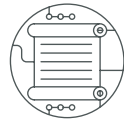
Lesson 1
Choosing a Computer

Lesson 2
Wireless Communication

Lesson 3
The Viral World

Lesson 4
Internet Resources and Credibility

Lesson 5
Creating Multimedia Products

Lesson 6
Digital Relationships and Respect

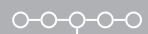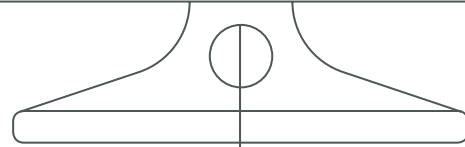**Lesson 7**
The Future of Technology and You

Learning Activity Highlights

The Viral World - It just takes one wrong click to end up in a world of trouble. From crashing hard drives to hijacking passwords, computer viruses can be lethal. This lesson teaches students about cybersecurity and how to keep their identity safe.

Digital Relationships and Respect - As our social networks keep growing, it's important to maintain perspective on positive, healthy digital relationships. The consequences of cyberbullying have never been more real—both for the bully and the person being bullied. In this lesson, students learn how to identify and intervene when cyberbullying is at play.

My Digital Life: Gaming Simulation - The most memorable learning experiences are the fun ones. That's no exception here, where everything comes together with a final interactive game. In this simulation, students demonstrate their mastery of digital issues – creating a blog, managing a social networking site, solving technology problems, and working to resolve a cyberbullying situation.

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