The Code of Ethics and Principles of Professional Conduct Awareness Training
WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

• Participants will understand the three essential elements of the Code of Ethics of the education profession in Florida.

• Participants will be able to discuss their obligations to the student, the public, and the profession.

• Participants will be able to describe “What to Expect”.

• Participants will be able to list appropriate steps to take:
  ♦ during interactions with students,
  ♦ during recordkeeping and accounting, and
  ♦ while in the community.

• Participants will understand the higher moral standard to which they are held.

• Participants will be able to list activities that are not school-related that could lead to charges of ethical and conduct violations.

• Participants will be able to list violations that may lead to dismissal from district employment.

• Participants will be able to list violations that may lead to revocation or suspension of teaching certificates.

• Participants will be aware of Chile Abuse law and Tort Liability.
Professionalism Through Integrity

Agenda

• Workshop Objectives
• The Code of Ethics
• Principles of Professional Conduct
• Operating Procedure Overview of the Education Professional Commission (EPC)
• What to Expect
• NEAT Process
• Types of cases involving suspension/revocation of certificate
• District Employment Dismissal
• Guidelines and Common Sense
• Adams and Tomerlin Cases
• Scenarios and outcomes
• Child Abuse Awareness and Tort liability awareness
• Closing remarks and questions

Principles of Professional Conduct

Obligations to the Student

The educator will:
- Commit to academic openness, fairness, honesty, and objectivity to students and the learning material
- Avoid harassment of, embarrassment of, or discrimination against students

Obligations to the Public

The educator will:
- Distinguish between personal views and the views of the educational institution with which the educator is affiliated
- Refuse to accept gifts or favors which will influence professional judgement
- Avoid using professional position for personal gain or advantage

Obligations to the Profession

The educator will:
- Respect and be fair to colleagues
- Report alleged violations or state or local school board rules by other educators
- Avoid misrepresenting qualifications or assisting unqualified personnel to gain or continue employment in the profession
CODE OF ETHICS

The educator values:
• The worth and dignity of every person
• The pursuit of truth
• Devotion to excellence
• Acquisition of knowledge
• The nurture of democratic citizenship

The educator’s **primary professional concern** will always be for the student and the development of the student’s potential.

The educator **strives** to achieve and sustain the highest degree of ethical conduct.
Florida Department of Education website for complete information

http://www.fldoe.org/edstandards/resources_for_teachers.asp