

Deceptions—Sex Trafficking Education & Awareness

Northwest Family Services combats human trafficking with its awareness program, *Deceptions*. Human trafficking is among one of the largest black market trades within the world, including the United States. Sadly, this growing challenge within American cities includes the Northwest. Sex trafficking of children flourishes in Portland in part due to the large volume of legal adult entertainment venues.



Deceptions is an interactive school-based awareness curriculum for youth in middle and high schools. This three, one hour series curriculum provides tools and builds awareness in exposing the lures of child sex trafficking and internet dangers. The true story of a sex trafficking survivor is utilized to teach students about healthy relationships and boundaries as well as how to protect themselves and others from this form of modern day slavery.

What Are Students Saying?

- “I liked that it (Deceptions) wasn’t boring; it was interactive. I learned how common trafficking is.”
- “The thing I liked best about the Deceptions curriculum is how it showed you that it may not be plainly obvious what’s happening. I didn’t know that it’s not exactly black and white. A lot of it isn’t something you thought would be trafficking. It can be anyone.”
- “It taught us that literally anyone could be using you. I learned that they (traffickers) could be using your hopes and dreams against you.”

What Does the Curriculum Include?

With the online subscription, you will receive:

- Downloadable version of the lessons, in addition to the online version for ease of use.
- Worksheets & parent permission letters.
- Material regularly updated on the site.
- Subscription is good for one year and can be updated annually.
- Access to the power point lessons.
- A facilitators guide with helpful teaching tips and a script for the lessons.
- Videos with a real-life survivor's story for use in the lessons.
- Additional statistics, articles, and resources about sex trafficking.