

The Impact of Media on Children & Adolescents

Presented by

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From video games that pack too much ammo, to the obsession with vampires, parents are concerned about their children's media habits. *This generation of youth are remixers, downloaders, broadcasters, gamers, networkers, voyeurs, multi-taskers, instant messengers, bloggers, texters, and consumers of everything media.* This workshop will first identify what is new and popular in youth media culture; next, what parents need to know about the internet, cell phones and associated risky behaviours; and last, to help youth choose positive media while also critically examining their media environments.



"This is a don't miss event! Katie is a dynamic, stimulating speaker. We thought we had a pretty good handle on what our kids were being exposed to, but when we heard Katie last year we quickly learned how little we knew. It was an eye opening experience!"
Janet & Joanne, SAC co-chairs

Where: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School, Parent & Teacher Audience Only

When: November 24, 2009 @ 7 pm

RSVP please as snacks will be provided:

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Katie Cole, a teacher with the Thames Valley District School Board, is currently the English Department Head at Medway High School in Arva. Combining her knowledge in the fields of Health Education and Media Studies, Katie became a member, writer and consultant for the Media Violence coalition (formed by the Ontario Public School Boards' Association) in 2006. As a result, Katie has produced curriculum for educators, parent resources, and workshop materials to raise awareness and promote critical media literacy in homes and classrooms. Katie has presented at numerous workshops across Ontario to help prevent the potential harmful effects of violent media on children and adolescents.