

# Digital Citizenship

A proposed curriculum for 2015-2016

## What is Digital Citizenship?

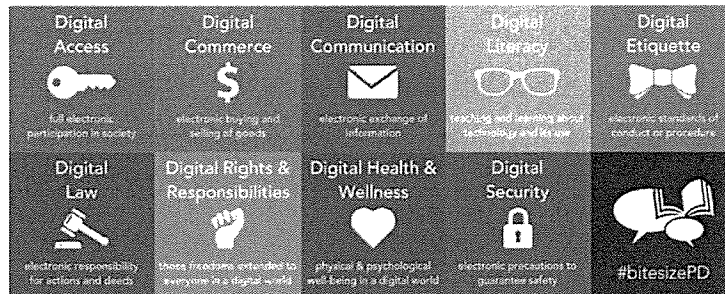
“Navigating the digital world safely,  
responsibly, and ethically.”

- Common Sense Media

## What makes up Digital Citizenship?



### 9 Elements of Digital Citizenship



## Why is this important?

Students are Digital Natives,  
but that does not mean they are  
upstanding Digital Citizens.

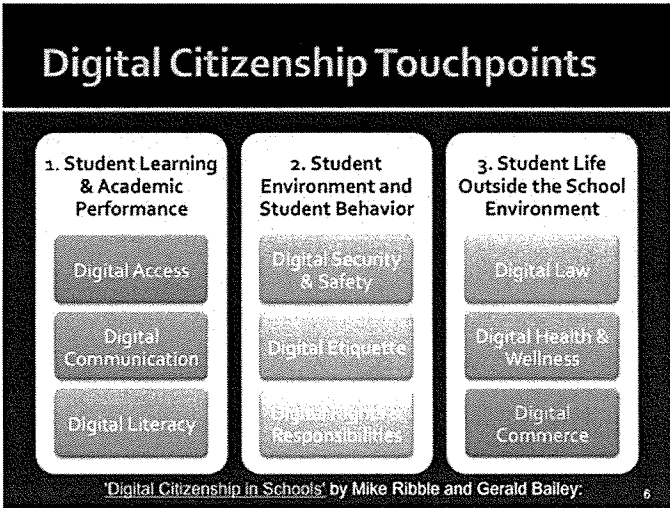
# Course Proposal:

This course will teach students:

- what it means to be an upstanding citizen of the digital world
- the ability to find, evaluate, and create information online in an ethical and thoughtful way
- the social aspects of online communication with regard to safety, privacy and cyber-bullying
- to understand that online activity can have a great impact on the offline lives of themselves and those around them.

# 2015-2016 Seminar Format:

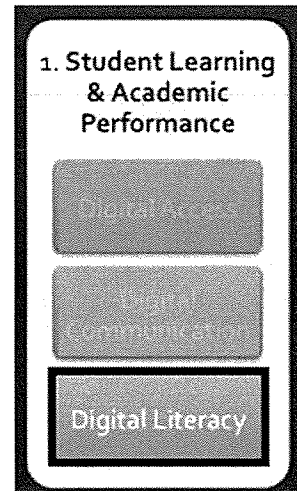
Each seminar will introduce a column of elements, but will focus mainly on the one most relevant to the BHS community.



## Session 1

### Digital Literacy:

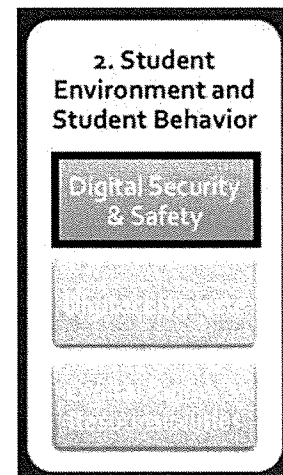
- how to find and evaluate quality online resources
- how to create, not only consume, online content



## Session 2

### Digital Security and Safety:

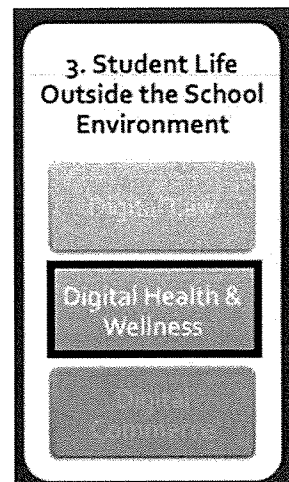
- appropriate online relationships
- Social Media privacy settings
- phishing/scams



## Session 3

### Digital Health and Wellness:

- Physical:
  - posture
  - eyes
  - sleep
- Mental:
  - addiction
  - self-worth/self-esteem
  - depression



## Timeline of Implementation

2015-2016:

- three 50 min Digital Citizenship seminars, for all freshmen
  - Quarters 1-3: Each quarter  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the freshmen will take all three seminars
  - Quarter 4: Makeup sessions will be offered for freshmen to take during their free mods
- Digital Citizenship Edline page for students
  - parents can also access

## Timeline of Implementation

2015-2016 (ctd):

- ties into BHS Acceptable Use Policy

<http://www.belmont.k12.ma.us/technology/policy/index.asp?PageID=12>

- Steve Mazzola will present to students and parents at iPad info sessions

## Timeline of Implementation

2016-2017:

- expanded curriculum to include more class time to cover, in depth, all nine elements of Digital Citizenship