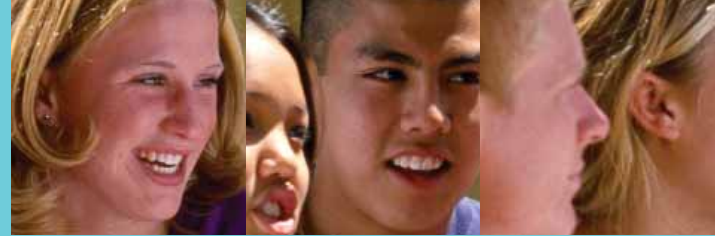


Why Humane Education?

★ **Violence Prevention** Animal abuse is one of the top three indicators for troubled youth. The majority of the school shooters “practiced” their violence on animals first. Humane education teaches the appropriate care and treatment of animals, helping students develop their compassion and empathy, which better enables them to be respectful in their dealings with other people.

★ **Character Education** Humane education develops the values of kindness, respect, compassion, responsibility, and fairness in students, making it an integral part of any character education program.

★ **Empathy Building** Child psychologists believe that it is vital for students to learn empathy—the ability to put themselves in someone else’s position. Empathy improves a student’s ability to act responsibly, cooperate, solve problems, and communicate with others. Humane



education awakens empathy by helping students appreciate and connect with others.

★ **Youth Empowerment** Humane education allows students to examine the relationship between their values and behavior and the consequences of their actions. Once students understand the ramifications of their actions, they realize that their choices make a difference. Humane education teaches students how to create a better, more compassionate world through their consumer choices and by becoming an informed and socially responsible citizen.

★ **Development of Critical-Thinking Skills** Discussing humane issues inspires students to think critically about the values and actions of our society and the information on which those values and actions are based.



What You Can Do

As an educator, you have a tremendous influence on your students. Violence-free education that promotes respect for all living beings will have a positive impact on students that can last a lifetime.

★ **Visit TeachKind.org** to learn about and order more free resources and information on humane education.

★ **Spread the word!** Tell educators about the free humane and character education materials at TeachKind.org. Request free copies of this brochure to distribute.

★ **Sponsor an animal protection group** to get your students interested and active.

★ **Investigate animal-free science projects** and use high-tech, non-animal methods to teach anatomy and biology. Visit TeachKind.org for more information.

★ **Be sure that school fundraisers and field trips are animal-friendly.** See TeachKind.org for more information on this and other healthy and humane school policies.

★ **Join the TeachKind Network.** It's free! All you have to do is complete and return the form. As a TeachKind member, you are entitled to our monthly *TeachKind Bulletin* via e-mail with updates on free resources, teaching materials, classroom activities, healthy and humane policies, and more.

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What Is **TeachKind**?

TeachKind is an organization of educators and community members devoted to teaching students respect for animals. Humane education is an integral component of character education and violence-prevention efforts. TeachKind provides humane education resources to K-12 and college educators, as well as helping schools and colleges implement healthy and humane policies. TeachKind provides lesson plans, videos, posters, publications, literature, stickers, and more so that educators can assist young people in expanding their circle of compassion.

What **Free Resources** Does TeachKind Offer?

TeachKind offers a variety of engaging, fun classroom lessons and activity sheets for all levels of education. Many lessons and worksheets can be downloaded or printed off TeachKind.org.

Below is a sampling of the *free* materials that we provide to educators, librarians, and policymakers. Learn more about these and other free resources at TeachKind.org.

Publications & Literature

Order enough publications and literature for all your students.

Animal Times
(grades 9-12 and college)



Grrr!
(grades 3-8)



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Humane Education Materials for **K-12** and **College Educators**

What Is **Humane Education**?

TeachKind defines humane education as learning about our relationships with people, other species, and the environment. Humane education seeks to provide information that inspires critical thinking, respect for self and others, and an awareness of compassionate and sustainable lifestyle choices. TeachKind specializes in producing materials and implementing policies that focus on our relationship with animals.



Lessons

More lessons are available at TeachKind.org.



"Just Choices"
(grades 7-12)



"Stimulus Response"
(grades 8-12)



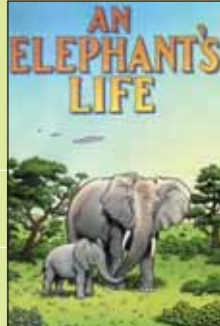
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"Let's Ask the Animals"
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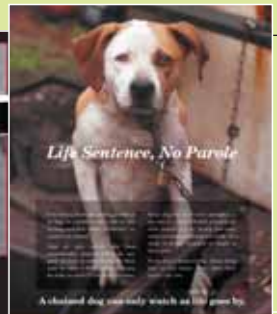
"A Chicken's Life"
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"An Elephant's Life"
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Posters Decorate your school, library, or classroom walls with these thought-provoking posters.

Violence Link Poster



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