

oin more than 18,000 teachers nationwide that are teaching children about sun safety.

By integrating the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's SunWise Program into daily school programs, these teachers are helping hundreds of thousands of students understand the importance of sunsafe behaviors so they can prevent health problems later in life. Several states have introduced sun safety programming at the state level and one has passed legislation requiring the use of SunWise. Arizona now mandates that SunWise be taught in public schools, while Wyoming has launched a voluntary program involving SunWise called Sun Safe Schools of Distinction.

Teachers of all subjects can teach students how to be SunWise. Be part of this exciting K-8 award-winning skin cancer prevention program and help spread important sun-safety messages by incorporating SunWise into your existing program.



## **For More Information**

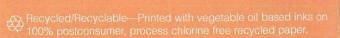
To learn more about SunWise workshops, sign up for a free SunWise Tool Kit, or to obtain more information about the program, visit our Web site or contact:

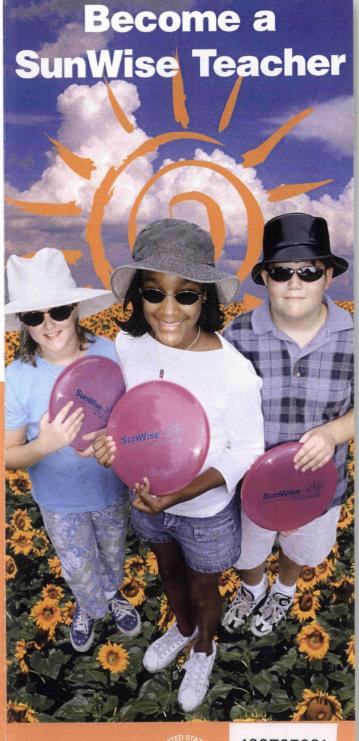
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unWise is a free, fun, and interactive environmental and health education program that aims to teach children and their caregivers how to protect themselves from overexposure to the sun. The SunWise Program has been a tremendous success in kindergarten through 8th grade schools. It was pilot-tested in 130 schools in 38 states during the 1999-2000 school year and is now being incorporated as a teaching tool in more than 14,000 schools throughout the nation.

## **Fast Facts**

- 1 in 5 Americans develop skin cance in their lifetime.
- More than 1 million new cases of skin cancer will be diagnosed in the United States this year.

### What Do You Receive?

#### SunWise Tool Kit

- More than 40 cross-curricular classroom activities for K-8 learning levels that are aligned with national educational standards
- \* SunWise: A Sun Safety Program for K-8 video
- \* UV-sensitive Frishee

# SunWise Internet Learning Site and UV Database

- Resources on sun protection, health and the environment
- Daily reports and measurements of UV radiation
- \* Online interactive educational activities for kids

#### **SunWise Publications**

 Posters, brochures, newsletters, activity books (Spanish versions also available)

All materials are public domain and FREE



Here are some examples of what schools just like yours are doing with SunWise:

- \* Holy Cross Lutheran School (Dallas, TX) and teacher Carlos Olivo developed a SunWise school policy involving the entire school and local health advisors. They teach children how to properly apply sunscreen and encourage them to wear hats, sunglasses, and protective clothing. Mr. Olivo even set up UV and ozone alert bulletin boards and he provides UV updates in the school newsletter. He also works closely with members of the community to raise money for school shade structures and to integrate SunWise into the yearly health fair.
- \* Union Township School's (Hampton, NJ) Karen Delgado found that SunWise blended perfectly with health and science education. Her older students created sun-safe skits, songs and puzzles for younger students, in addition to promoting sun-safety at the school's annual field day.
- \* Goddard Middle School's (Glendora, CA)
  Greg Morrison teaches his science students
  how to collect, report, and analyze UV-related
  data. One favorite class activity is using handheld UV monitors to measure the intensity of UV
  rays. With help from a local Rotary Club grant,
  students are also taught about the effect of UV
  rays on human skin and health using UV-sensitive beads.

