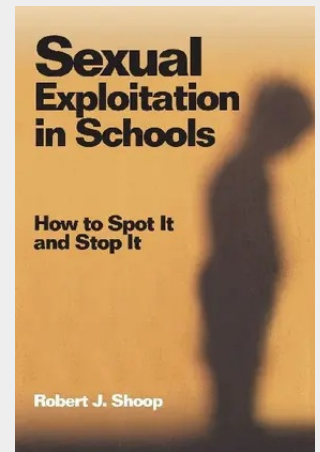


Sexual Exploitation in Schools

Learn how to identify and prevent sexual exploitation of students in your school! Though most schools are safe environments for students, research shows that sexual abuse of children at all levels is on the rise. Recent media attention has captured the public's growing concern about the number of cases involving boys molested by adult females. Nationally recognized risk management expert and author Robert J. Shoop has been quoted in USA Today (November 30, 2005), noting that "In the past 18 months, at least 25 cases nationwide involved female teachers molesting students." He has also addressed the topic of sexual exploitation as a guest on CNN, The Today Show, ABC's 20/20, ESPN's Outside the Lines, and other independent television talk shows. In this book, Shoop identifies the early warning signs of sexual abuse in schools. Based on interviews, newspaper reports, journal articles, court records, and personal experiences gained from 25 years of consulting with school districts in the areas of harassment, abuse, risk management and negligence, this book demonstrates the critical need to implement strategies so students are protected while also learning how to protect themselves. Shoop's two-fold objectives are: - How to spot sexual exploitation and what early warning signs to look for - How to stop sexual exploitation—actions that schools and parents can take to prevent sexual abuse, and how to respond promptly and appropriately if it occurs Sexual Exploitation in Schools prepares educators to manage one of the most difficult and troubling issues in our public and private schools. Explanations are provided concerning the legal context, consequences and pathology of sexual exploitation, district and employee rights, conducting an investigation, and steps educators and parents can take so that students will be safe in their learning environment, leading to a successful and healthy future. prepares educators to manage one of the most difficult and troubling issues in our public and private schools. Explanations are provided concerning the legal context, consequences and pathology of sexual exploitation, district and employee rights, conducting an investigation, and steps educators and parents can take so that students will be safe in their learning environment, leading to a successful and healthy future.

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