5 Instructional Models for Digital Citizenship Implementation

Model Type	Description	Educators Involved	Educator Training	Lessons Taught	Pacing	Parent Engagement
Library or Media Lab	Digital citizenship is taught by one educator leading instruction for all students in the school building.	Typically taught by a single educator, such as a librarian, media specialist, tech coordinator, school IT lead, computer teacher, or paraprofessional. Taught across multiple grade levels as part of library or media literacy instruction.	1 hour online training by Common Sense. 1- to 2-day in-person training led by curriculum specialist, librarian, technology specialist, lead teacher, counselor, etc.	Grades K-1: Three 30- to 45-minute lessons Grades 2-12: Six 45- to 50-minute lessons	Front loaded: 2 lessons per week at the beginning of the school year, typically part of a 1:1 deployment Unit approach: 1 lesson per week for 6 weeks Monthly theme: 1 lesson per month as a thematic unit Intensive: All lessons taught in one week, coinciding with Digital Citizenship Week	Send home device agreement at the beginning of the year. Send home parent tip sheets and family activities associated with each lesson. Share parent resources through a webpage, a parent portal, or school or district social media. Host at least one in-person parent education event per school year.
Core Subject Embedded	Digital citizenship is taught as part of core subjects, such as English language arts, social studies, math, or science.	Core subject educators. Taught across multiple grade levels.				
Elective Subject	Digital citizenship is taught as a separate, elective subject.	Typically taught by technology or computer science teachers.				
Health, Wellness, and SEL -	Digital citizenship is integrated into social-emotional learning, health and wellness, character education, or sex education.	Health teacher, school counselor, school social worker, or coach.	1-hour online training by Common Sense.	Educators can select specific lessons, adapt lessons to be shortened, use videos and discussion guides, or use games such as Digital Passport™ or Digital Compass™.	15- to 20-minute activities; pacing varies	
Advisory	Digital citizenship is taught as part of advisory, homeroom period, AVID, or CREW programs.	Homeroom or advisory teacher.				

