

- **Learners**

- **Age:** The instruction is designed for third to fifth grade students usually between 8 and 12 years of age. Children in this age range developmentally are losing teeth and acquiring their permanent teeth. They have the dexterity to develop their brushing and flossing skills independent from their parents.
- **Characteristics:** The specific number of students enrolled in the course at one time may vary based on the current enrollment at the participating schools. The students will be enrolled in a school and will have met the criteria to have passed at least the second grade and have not entered the sixth grade.
- **Required knowledge base:** The students will possess the ability to read and write at or above a second grade level. They will possess a basic understanding of health and disease.
- **Required social skills:** Students will have the ability to interact with others in an age appropriate manner. Students will be able to make generalizations from their previously acquired social skills learned from at home, in public, and from their previous educational experiences.
- **Required technical skills:** Students will have basic computer skills and knowledge of how to use an iPad. They will also possess the ability to access website, send emails, and use cameras.
- **Required technology access:** The students who were absent have used 1:1 iPad technology since the first grade and iPads are available to them. The students enrolled in home school or in on-line classes have iPad access provided to them through their institutions and have acquired the majority of their instruction via distance education. They should have internet access and have Microsoft compatible programs and other supportive programs such as Flash and Adobe. Access to sites such as YouTube should be established prior to taking the course.
- **Benefit of course of instruction:** Children will learn basic oral hygiene techniques to maintain their oral health. These skills will enable the students to keep their teeth healthy and prevent dental disease. Dental disease has been associated with an increase in other health related issues and preventative measures such as brushing, flossing, and rinsing properly may reduce the frequency of these conditions. Additionally, the preventative measures will help reduce absenteeism and distractions that could negatively affect the students' learning in the classroom.