Education for digital citizenship in Internet era in Croatian Schools

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Inclusive education in Croatia

- Our education system affords all children, learners and young people – including those with developmental disabilities, members of national minorities, gifted learners and those in a disadvantaged position.
- Professional support and pedagogic, didactic and spatial adjustment to ensure suitable education in schools
 - Educational rehabilitators, speech and language therapists, social pedagogues, special teachers, personal assistants, sign language interpreters
- Children with minor developmental difficulties are included in mainstream classes and are taught according to general curricula with the help of individualised plans or curricula adjusted to their capabilities

Citizenship Education in Croatia

- First attempt in 1998 → as the government's response to the 1995-2004 UN Decade of Human Rights Education
- In the following years, the human rights and democratic citizenship education would be nominally included in all major laws and strategic papers on education and national policies but not in practice
- The format of curriculum had not, yet, been recognised by law, CEC had to be formally rewritten as the Citizenship Education Programme for Primary and Secondary Schools (CEP)
- In the process of "e-consultations with the interested public" opened by the Ministry in 2014, CEP was attacked by the coalition of civil organizations who claimed to be the guardians of the family and national interests
- The National Comprehensive Curricular Reform in 2015 → Citizenship Education Curriculum developed as a cross-curricular topic, - got multiple attacks from civil organisations
- 25.1.2019 published cross curricula which will be implemented in schools in school year 2019/2020

Citizenship Education in Croatiacross -curricular topic

 Purpose: contribute to the preparation of students for their active and effective citizen's role



 Croatian Ombudswoman has in her report of 2018 reccommended that Citizenship Education should be a mandatory subject in schools

Good practice

 Rijeka was the first and for now the only city in Croatia to introduce Civic Education as a curricular activity to elementary schools in 2017

> Students citizens: informed, active and responsible

> > (the manual)

Učenici građani:
informirani, aktivni
i odgovorni

Priručnik za Građanski
odgoj i obrazovanje

- National school competition of simulated trials
 - goal: to understand the role of law and rule of law in democratic society



Bullying/violence prevention

 'Stop Violence among Children' – a programme for the prevention of peer violence and bullying conceived by UNICEF together with domestic experts

"Over the ten years of its implementation (2003–2012) violence amongst school children reduced by half in those schools that participated in the programme.... – one of the most successful of it's kind in the world

 2019 Development of National Action plan for preventing violence in schools

School for Life - pilot project

- Experimental project (school year 2018/19) 74 schools, 8.500 students and 2.000 teachers
- Tablets for each student
- Digital learning materials
- Computer science as a compulsory subject in all primary schools
- New curricula of general subjects
- Croos curicula subject Citizenship education













CARNET

https://www.carnet.hr/en





e-Schools

https://pilot.e-skole.hr/en/

- e-Schools: a comprehensive informatization of school operation processes and teaching processes aimed at the creation of digitaly mature schools for the 21st century
- Training for e-Schools 26 workshops, 10 webinars, 5 MOOC massive online open courses
- First phase (2015 2018) pilot project 151 Croatian schools
- Result increased the level of digital maturity by 10%
- Second phase (2019 2022)
- Expectation: Every Croatian school = e-School

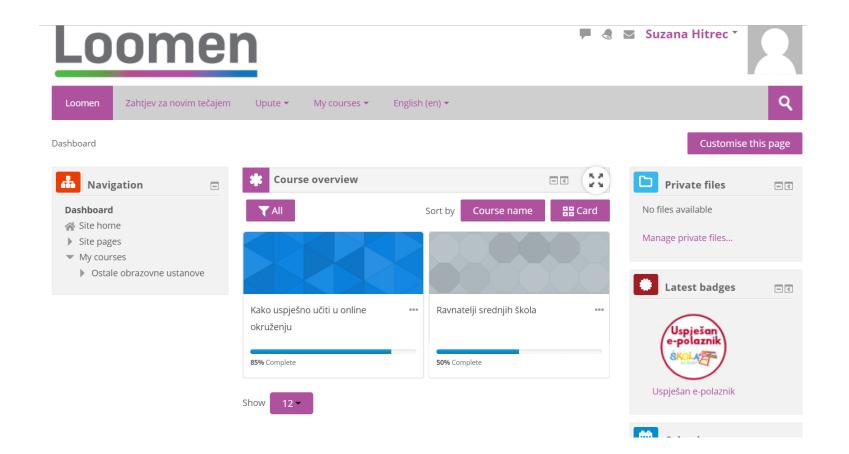


Teacher training in virtual classroom



42724Participants

386 topics



e-Safety

- Protecting devices, personal data, privacy and well-being
- School Strategy manual for safe use of computers at school
- e-Safety badge
- Organizing the Safer Internet Day
- Licensed software





#DeleteCyberbullying

- ACTIVE PARENTS
- Since 2014 Parents Association "Step by step" with partner COFACE and DAPHNE
- 79% of parents never talked with their own children about what is the child doing on the Internet and on the computer
- 35% of teenagers reported having experience with sexual harassment on the Internet
- 62% received threatening texts on social networks
- 52% never reported the cyberbullying



The manual for parents



"Safer Internet Centre Croatia: Making Internet a good and safe place" (2016–2018) "

Centre for missing and abused children with patronage of Networks Executive Agency (NEA)

- 49% parents believe that their children talk to them all about their on-line behaviour
- 71% children hide Internet content to parents
- 50% children don't know who can they talk to if they experience cyberbullying

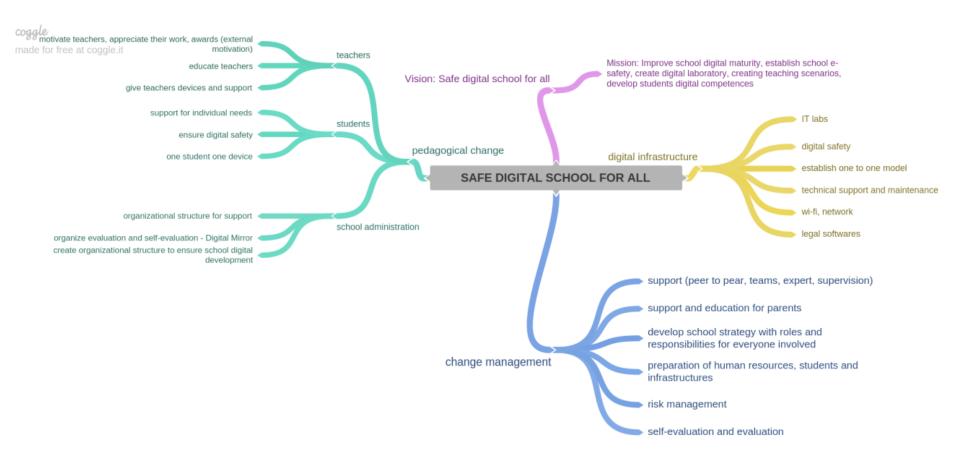


- Hotline service for improvement and reporting hurtful and illegal content
- Helpline (for children and parents for reporting hurtful content and providing professional helf /advising)

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• Web detectives – traces and reports inappropriate contents by e – application

Digital school for all



Thank you

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