



Hugs and Kisses

Celebrating 25 years of child safety!

Hugs and Kisses is a sexual abuse prevention play that was created in 1983.

For 25 years, this award-winning musical has been teaching children in kindergarten through fifth grade, in Virginia, about personal body safety and how to keep themselves safe from sexual abuse. The program also sends the message to children who have been abused that it is not their fault and gives them the opportunity to speak with a social service professional.

Hugs and Kisses, which is produced by Theatre IV, Prevent Child Abuse Virginia and the Virginia Department of Social Services, sensitively tells the story of a little girl who has been sexually abused. During the course of the play, the little girl learns valuable lessons that enable her to talk to a trusted adult who can bring help.

SOME HUGS AND KISSES STATISTICS

- ◆ Since 1983, this landmark program has been performed in every school district in Virginia.
- ◆ Over 1,200,000 children have seen this proven, powerful teaching tool.
- ◆ Over 12,000 school children have come forward after seeing this play to ask questions and/or seek help related to abuse.

BRINGING HUGS AND KISSES TO YOUR SCHOOL

To find out how you can bring *Hugs and Kisses* to your school, call Jeanie Rule with Theatre IV toll-free at 800-235-8687.



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HUGS, the Dog

