## **HEALTH, FAMILY LIFE AND SEX EDUCATION**

Health, family life, sex education and human sexuality including information about parts of the body, the study of the anatomy and the physiology of human reproduction, and characteristics or qualities that distinguish between maleness and femaleness may be included in the instructional program as appropriate to the grade level and course of study. During the instructional materials adoption and review process established by the District, interested parents and community members will be encouraged to become involved in the planning, development, evaluation and revision of any instruction in sex education and human sexuality offered as a part of the school program. Parents may ask to review instructional materials to be used and may, in writing, request that their child be excluded from sex education and human sexuality classes. The Superintendent designee will distribute forms to parents who wish to exercise this right. Students who are excused will be provided alternative educational opportunities.

Sexual health education instruction offered by the District will be medically accurate, age appropriate, appropriate for students regardless of gender, race, disability status, or sexual orientation and include information about abstinence and other methods of preventing unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. The District's sexual health curriculum will be consistent with the guidelines for sexual health information and disease prevention developed by the Department of Health and the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction and regulations as adopted by the State of Washington.

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CROSS REFERENCES

Policy 2020

Curriculum Development and Adoption of Instructional Materials

Policy 2126

AIDS Prevention Education

LEGAL REFERENCES

WAC 180-50-140

Sex Education

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