



**PARENT NOTIFICATION OF THE CRITICAL HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM
AND THE PROGRAM ON REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING**

The Board of Education has adopted a comprehensive Health Education Program which includes education on human sexuality and venereal and other communicable diseases such as AIDS. It is designed to provide an appropriate means for students to acquire the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to maintain good health. The program also includes instruction in abstinence from sex as a responsible method for preventing unwanted pregnancy and sexually-transmitted diseases and as a positive lifestyle for unmarried young people.

In compliance with State law and with its desire to maintain effective communication with parents and the community, the Board has made arrangements for the programs and instructional materials to be available for review by any parent or interested member of the community. If you were unable to attend any of the review meetings, please reach out to me. The law allows you the right to have your child excused from participating in classes which include instruction in sex education, reproductive health, family planning, and AIDS education. The Board's policy is to honor parents' written requests that their child be excused from certain classes in any course. We encourage you to personally review the program lessons and materials so that you can make an informed decision. Should you choose for your child not to participate, please return the bottom portion of this letter to your child's school principal so appropriate alternative activities can be provided during the times of those classes.

Sincerely,

Jeff Stevenson
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Reproductive Health Education Coordinator
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Student Name: _____ Student Grade: _____

School: _____

Please excuse my child from classes this school year, which include instruction in sex education, reproductive health, family planning, and AIDS education.

Parent or Guardian Date