December 5, 2018

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Students in grades 5 through 9 will participate in Family Life classes. This is in compliance with Tennessee Code Annotated 49-6-1301-1303 that mandates that our school system implement a program of Family Life instruction for students. We have endeavored to make this an age appropriate instructional program following Tennessee's standards. Family Life classes are taught by the Maryville City School System's instructor, Mrs. Shanna Lingerfelt. All students will participate in these classes unless a parent/guardian **requests in writing** to exempt his or her son/daughter. The form below may be used to express your desire to exempt your student or to allow them to participate.

Students may be exempted from the Family Life unit according to T.C.A. 49-6-1301-1303: "Upon receipt of a written statement from a student's parent or guardian to the effect that the parent / guardian has personally examined the appropriate grade level instructional materials or has conferred directly with the student's instructor, guidance counselor, or principal and that the parent / guardian finds objectionable any or all portions of Family Life instruction, the student shall be excused from such portion or portions of the Family Life instruction."

The Family Life curriculum and materials are available for parents/guardians to review at Central Office (833 Lawrence Avenue) from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. on Monday, December 17, 2018 or by appointment. A list of Family Life topics by grade can be found on our district website at www.maryville-schools.org. After reviewing the Family Life curriculum and materials, please indicate your decision on the form below and return it to your student's teacher by December 18, 2018.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Lingerfelt at shanna.lingerfelt@maryville-schools.org.

All forms must be returned indicating parental/guardian choice. If no form is returned, CONSENT IS IMPLIED.

FAMILY LIFE INSTRUCTION

MY CHILD MAY PARTICIPATE _____ MAY NOT _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE_____

STUDENT NAME_____