



Parents,

Texas State Law, Senate Bill 283 requires all school districts to provide written notice to parents concerning human sexuality instruction given to students.

The Keene ISD board of trustees has approved the following abstinence programs for students enrolled in the Keene Independent School District:

1. The ***Aim For Success*** program has been approved for students in grades 9-12. The ***Aim For Success*** abstinence curricula gives detailed information on STD's, teen pregnancy, and the laws concerning teens and sex. Role playing is used to help students learn about peer pressure, self-control, self-respect, goal setting and setting limits. More information about ***Aim For Success*** is available at www.aimforsuccess.org.
2. The ***FOCUS 1 and FOCUS 2 Program*** presented by Next Step/The Burleson Pregnancy Aid Center has been approved for students in 7th and 8th grade as a 3 hour program presented during one class period over a period of 3 days. ***FOCUS*** is a sexual risk avoidance, abstinence-until-marriage, factual program. Questions regarding the program can be directed to Carol McDermott Keene Junior High Counselor or Savannah Hemnes F.I.T. Director, Next Step/Burleson Pregnancy Aid Center (817) 295-4101 or savannah.hemnes@nextstepwpc.com.
3. The ***Always Changing*** puberty program by Proctor and Gamble has been approved for 5th grade students. This program is a basic anatomy presentation. Boys and girls are separated for this class.
4. No human sexuality instruction is given for PK-4th grade. Keene ISD prefers this information be provided by parents only for this age group.

Parent involvement and the opportunity to review content of the curriculum is encouraged prior to all abstinence programs. Letters will be sent home before each program informing parents of program details. Parents will have the option to remove their child from the program without penalty.

Parents are invited to participate in the district School Health Advisory Council (SHAC). This council allows parents to have a voice in the health and sex education curriculum chosen for Keene ISD. Meetings are held four times per year. View the SHAC link on the school website for dates and times. For more information contact your campus nurse or campus counselor.

Sincerely,

Keene Independent School District
School Health Advisory Council