

INSTRUCTION

Sexual Health Education

Elementary and secondary students shall be provided instruction in comprehensive sexual health education consistent with state law. Only Board-approved core and supplemental curriculum materials may be used in the instruction of sex education and human sexuality.

In grades, K-3, instruction will be in social and emotional learning that is consistent with the social and emotional standards and benchmarks adopted by the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI).

Comprehensive sexual health education instruction provided by the District to students in grades 4-12 will be medically and scientifically accurate, age-appropriate, and inclusive of students regardless of their protected class status under Chapter 49.60 RCW. Abstinence will not be taught to the exclusion of other instruction on contraceptives and disease prevention. The District's comprehensive sexual health education program will be consistent with the *Guidelines for Sexual Health Information and Disease Prevention* developed by the Department of Health, OSPI, the Health Education K-12 Learning Standards adopted by OSPI, and other provisions of RCW 28A.300.475.

Parents and community members will be provided the opportunity to be involved in the planning, development, evaluation, and revision of any instruction in comprehensive sexual health education offered as a part of the school program.

The superintendent will provide parents/guardians an opportunity to review the materials to be used, will provide information on excluding their child from sexual health education instruction and will grant all such requests.

Legal Reference:

RCW 28A.300.475	Medically accurate sexual health education-Curricula-Participation Excused-Parental Review
RCW 28A.600.480(2)	Reporting of harassment, intimidation, or bullying-Retaliation Prohibited-Immunity
WAC 392-410-140	Sexual health education-Definition-Option course or subject matter-Excusal of students

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