

Board of Trustees Douglas County School District

PROGRAM

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The Board believes that instruction in human development should be a part of the public school instructional program. The Board also believes that because human development is a continuing process throughout life, the program of instruction should be sequentially planned for appropriate grade levels. The Board of Trustees authorizes the establishment of units of instruction on the human reproductive system, related communicable diseases, sexual responsibility, and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

1. Recognizing the sensitive nature of this area of instruction, the Board shall appoint an advisory committee consisting of:
 - a. Five parents of children who attend schools in Douglas County School District.
 - b. Four representatives, one from each of four of the following professions or occupations:
 - i. Medicine or nursing;
 - ii. Counseling;
 - iii. Religion;
 - iv. Pupils who attend school in the district; or
 - v. Teaching.
2. This committee shall advise the Board concerning the content of and materials to be used in the units of instruction and the recommended grade levels for which the instruction is offered. The final decision on these matters will be made by the Board.
3. All instructional materials used in classroom instruction must be reviewed by the Family Life Sex Education Advisory Committee and approved by the Board. New materials or those not previously approved may be submitted to the Executive Director of Education Services for appropriate action.
4. The subjects of the units of instruction may be taught only by a teacher or school nurse whose qualifications have been previously approved by the Board.
5. The parent or guardian of each student to whom the units of instruction are offered must first be furnished written notice that the instruction will be offered. The notice must be given in the usual manner used by the district to transmit written material to parents and must contain a form for the signature of the parents or guardian of the student consenting to the student's attendance. Upon receipt of the written consent of the parent or the guardian, a student may attend the instruction. Any student who does not have written consent must be excused from such attendance without any penalty as to credits of academic standing.
6. All instructional materials to be used in the units of instruction must be available for inspection by parents or guardians of students at reasonable times and locations prior to the actual instruction. Appropriate written notice of the availability of the material must be furnished to all parents and guardians.

Reference: NRS 389.036

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