

Notus School District No. 135

INSTRUCTION

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Health Enhancement Education

Health, family life and sex education, including information about parts of the body, reproduction and related topics, shall be included in the instructional program as appropriate to the grade level and course of study. The instructional approach shall be developed after consultation with parents and other community representatives. A child must have written permission from a parent or guardian before participating in sex education class sessions. Parents may ask to review the materials to be used and may request that their child be excluded from sex education class sessions without prejudice.

The Board believes that HIV/AIDS instruction is most effective when integrated into a comprehensive health education program. Instruction shall be developmentally appropriate to the grade level of the students and shall occur in a systematic manner. The Board particularly desires that students receive proper education about HIV before they reach the age when they may adopt behaviors that put them at risk of contracting the disease.

In order for education about HIV to be most effective, the Superintendent shall require that faculty members who present this instruction receive continuing in-service training that includes appropriate teaching strategies and techniques. Other staff members not involved in direct instruction but who have contact with students shall receive basic information about HIV/AIDS and instruction in the use of universal precautions when dealing with body fluids.

In accordance with Board policy, parents shall have an opportunity to review the HIV education program before it is presented to students.

Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Education

Students shall receive education regarding the use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs. The Superintendent, or his/her designee, shall develop curriculum for use in health education that provides instruction to students in the areas of prevention, education, treatment, rehabilitation and legal consequences of alcohol, tobacco and drug use.

Legal Reference: I.C. § 33-1605	Health and Physical Fitness – Effects of Alcohol, Tobacco, Stimulants and Narcotics
I.C. § 33-1608 et seq.	Family life and sex education – Legislative policy
IDAPA 08.02.03.160	Health Standards

Cross Reference: 2315	Physical Activity Opportunities and Physical Education
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