



Planned Notice

Dear Families of 7th and 8th grade Hellgate Middle School students,

During the 2023–24 school year, your child will be enrolled in human development and sexuality instruction within the Hellgate Elementary School District. These lessons will be taught in a co-ed setting. Montana Law defines "human sexuality instruction" as teaching or otherwise providing information about human sexuality, including intimate relationships, human sexual anatomy, sexual reproduction, sexually transmitted infections, sexual acts, sexual orientation, gender identity, abstinence, contraception, or reproductive rights and responsibilities.

The human sexuality instruction intended to be taught to your child:

- Healthy and Unhealthy Relationships
- Reproductive Systems (Male & Female)
- Personal Health (Pregnancy, Abstinence, Contraception, and Sexually Transmitted Diseases/Infections)

We will not be discussing:

- Sexual Orientation
- Gender Identity
- Abortion
- Sexual Acts

A committee of teachers, parents, school nurses, and administrators designed the human development and sexuality materials. The committee's goal was to design an age-appropriate health enhancement curriculum that is age-appropriate and equips students with the skills and knowledge to make healthy decisions.

Parents/guardians have the right to withdraw their child from Hellgate Elementary Schools' human sexuality instruction. If you wish to excuse your child from any portion of the curriculum, you may do so by completing the written request included in this letter to your child's principal or administration assistant. If you have additional questions or concerns or you would like to view the curriculum materials, please contact your school principal.

We encourage you to discuss the material with your child, and if any questions or concerns arise, feel free to contact your child's school nurse or building principal.

Sincerely,

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**NOTICE OF HUMAN SEXUALITY INSTRUCTION
OPT-OUT FORM**

These health and human development lessons will be taught on December 4 and 5th, 2023.

"Human sexuality instruction" means teaching or otherwise providing information about human sexuality, including intimate relationships, human sexual anatomy, sexual reproduction, sexually transmitted infections, sexual acts, sexual orientation, gender identity, abstinence, contraception, or reproductive rights and responsibilities.

As the parent/guardian, you have the right to excuse your child from this lesson. Your child can be excused for the entire day of school or just for the time the lesson is being taught. We will provide your child with an alternative activity should you choose to have them excused.

To excuse your child from these activities, please complete the form below or contact:

- Amanda Pham, Building #4, Middle School Admin. Assistant, at 406-532-4590
- Jamie Courville, Building #4, Middle School Principal at 406-532-4590

Student Name:	Grade:
Teacher:	
Human Sexuality Activities/Instruction for which your child should be excused:	
Dates/Class Periods to be excused:	
Parent/Guardian Name:	
Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Date: