

Human Trafficking and Exploitation Prevention and Awareness Education

In accordance with North Dakota Century Code § 15.1-09-61, the Fargo Public School District (“District”) is required to provide schoolwide education addressing human trafficking, which includes sex trafficking, and exploitation prevention and awareness. The education shall be provided to all students in grades six, ten, and twelve.

The District is also required to offer parents and guardians optional workshops or materials to support the education of their student regarding personal safety and grooming prevention.

The education provided by the District:

1. May be provided by a nonprofit organization specializing in outreach and education on human trafficking and exploitation.
2. Must be developmentally appropriate, culturally sensitive, and use best practices.
3. Must be provided annually to students in the specified grades.
4. May include:
 - a. Definitions and the nature of human trafficking and exploitation;
 - b. State laws regarding human trafficking and exploitation;
 - c. Facts and statistics regarding human trafficking and exploitation in the state and across the United States;
 - d. The victim profiling tactics of human traffickers;
 - e. The role of online computer activity and pornography;
 - f. Methods to identify a potential victim and actions to take following identification of a victim;
 - g. Information regarding: (a) Force, fraud, and coercion; (b) Grooming; (c) The complexities of abuse, indoctrination, and manipulation; (d) The traits of a human trafficking victim; (e) The difference between human trafficking and prostitution; and (f) How human trafficking and exploitation demand is created and which industries influence human trafficking and exploitation; and
 - h. Actionable steps to take against human trafficking and exploitation, including reporting information to the proper authorities.

References

N.D.C.C. § 15.1-09-61

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