UPSD Policy: 2125 Section: 2000 - Instruction

Sexual Health Education

The University Place School District Board of Directors has determined that all students be provided instruction in comprehensive sexual health education, consistent with state law.

No sexuality content or curriculum is required for kindergarten through grade 3. In grades K-3 instruction includes 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 <u>Guidelines for Sexual Health Information and Disease Prevention</u> developed by the Department of Health and the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Health Education K-12 Learning Standards adopted by OSPI, and other provisions of RCW 28A.300.475.

The University Place School District Board of Directors will approve any new instructional materials related to comprehensive sexual health education. Instructional materials will be chosen from a list provided by OSPI or will be identified or developed by the district and reviewed using comprehensive sexual health education curriculum analysis tools provided by OSPI.

The superintendent, or designee, will provide parents/guardians an opportunity to review the materials to be used (including electronic access). Furthermore, the district will provide information on how parents can exclude their child from sexual health education instruction, and will grant all such requests.

The superintendent or their designee will annually identify to OSPI any curricula used to provide comprehensive sexual health education and how the provided classroom instruction aligns with legislative requirements.

Cross References: 2020 - Course Design, Selection and Adoption of Instructional

Materials

Legal References: 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 — Optional course or subject matter — Excusal of students

Management Resources: 2009 - February Issue

Policy News, August 2007 Sex Education Curriculum and

Instruction

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