Policy

HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

The Board of Education directs that students receive instruction in human growth and development, consistent with Chapter 118.019(2) Wis. Stats., to include the following:

A. Medically accurate and age-appropriate instruction in the following topics:
   1. The importance of communication about sexuality between the student and the student's parents or guardians

   2. Reproductive and sexual anatomy and physiology, including biological, psychosocial, emotional, and intellectual changes that accompany maturation

   3. Puberty, pregnancy, parenting, body image, and gender stereotypes

   4. The benefits of and reasons for abstaining from sexual activity

      Instruction under this subdivision shall stress the value of abstinence as the only reliable way to prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections and shall identify the skills necessary to remain abstinent

   5. Methods for developing healthy life skills, including setting goals, making responsible decisions, communicating, and managing stress

   6. How alcohol and drug use affect responsible decision making

   7. The impact of media and one's peers on thoughts, feelings, and behaviors related to sexuality

   8. The nature and treatment of sexually transmitted infections

B. Use instructional methods and materials that do not discriminate against a student based upon the student's race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, or ethnic or cultural background or against sexually active students or children with disabilities

C. Address self-esteem, personal responsibility, healthy relationships, and positive interpersonal skills, with an emphasis on healthy relationships

D. Identify counseling, medical, and legal resources for survivors of sexual abuse and assault, including resources for escaping violent relationships

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A citizens' advisory committee shall be established, in accordance with 118.019(5), Wis. Stats., in order to ensure the effective participation of staff, parents, health-care professionals, members of clergy, and other residents of the District in the design and implementation of this program area.

The District shall provide parents annually with an outline of the human growth and development program used in their child's grade level as well as information regarding how the parent may inspect the complete program and instructional materials. Prior to use in the classroom, the program shall be made available to parents for inspection.

The District shall notify the parents, in advance of the instruction and give them an opportunity, prior to instruction, to review the complete program and instructional materials and of their right to have their child excused from the instruction. The notice shall state that, in the event a student is excused, that student will still receive instruction under Wis. Stat. 118.01(2)(d)2 c unless exempted and under Wis. Stat. 118.01(2)(d)8.

115.35, 118.019, Wis. Stats.
P.I. 8.0(2)(j), Wis. Adm. Code

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