HEALTH, FAMILY LIFE AND SEX EDUCATION

The Mary M. Knight board of directors is authorized by law to determine whether sexual health education instruction will be offered in the district. The board has determined that such a program will be offered to students, consistent with state law.

Sexual health education instruction offered by the district shall be medically accurate, age appropriate, appropriate for students regardless of gender, race, disability status, or sexual orientation and include information about abstinence and other methods of preventing unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. Abstinence may not be taught to the exclusion of other instruction on contraceptives and disease prevention. The district's sexual health curriculum shall be consistent with the guidelines for sexual health information and disease prevention developed by the department of health and the office of superintendent of public instruction.

The superintendent will provide parents/guardians an opportunity to review the materials to be used and provide information on excluding their child from sexual health education instruction.

Cross Reference: Board Policy 2020 Curriculum Development and Adoption of

Instructional Materials

Board Policy 2126 AIDS Prevention Education

Legal References: WAC 392-410-140 Sex Education — Definition — Optional course

or subject matter — Excusal of students

Management Resources:

Policy News, August 2007 Sex Education

Curriculum and Instruction

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