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AIDS PREVENTION INSTRUCTION

The Governing Board recognizes that Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) infection and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) pose a public health crisis and that education is a necessary component for helping to slow the spread of this disease.

(cf. 5141.22- Infectious Diseases)
(cf. 5141.23- Infectious Diseases Prevention)

The District's HIV/AIDS prevention curriculum shall be part of a health education program that teaches acceptance of personal responsibility and emphasizes decisions that promote health.

HIV/AIDS prevention instruction shall be focused on giving students the knowledge, skills, and motivation to avoid or reduce high-risk behavior that may lead to HIV infection.

Staff members or others who present HIV/AIDS prevention instruction shall be adequately trained and have periodic inservice opportunities to remain knowledgeable of new prevention education techniques and new developments in the scientific understanding of HIV/AIDS. (Education Code 51229.8)

At the beginning of the school year, the Superintendent or designee shall provide the parent/guardian of each student with written notice pursuant to law and Administrative Regulation, explaining the purpose of the AIDS prevention instruction. (Education Code 48980, 51201.5)

This notice shall specify that parent/guardian consent is required prior to his/her child receiving AIDS prevention instruction. (Education Code 51201.5)

The Superintendent or designee shall inform parents/guardians of their right to inspect all instructional materials related to HIV/AIDS instruction and shall provide opportunities for inspection of materials before they are presented to students. (Education Code 51550)

(cf. 1312.2 - Public Criticism of Instructional Programs/Materials)

A student shall not be subject to disciplinary action, academic penalty, or other sanction if the student's parent/guardian declines to permit the student to receive AIDS prevention instruction, and the student does not receive the instruction. (Education Code 51201.5, 51554, 51555)

An alternative educational activity shall be made available to students whose parents/guardians have requested that they not receive AIDS prevention instruction. The alternative educational activity shall occur while the AIDS prevention instruction is being delivered. (Education Code 51201.5, 51554, 51555)
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Legal Reference:

- EDUCATION CODE
  - 48980 Notice at beginning of term
  - 51201.5 AIDS prevention instruction
  - 51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety
  - 51203 Instruction on alcohol, narcotics, and restricted dangerous drugs
  - 51229.8 Inservice training for providers of AIDS prevention instruction
  - 51240 Excuse from health instruction and family life and sex education due to religious beliefs
  - 51550 Sex education classes: course criteria
  - 51554 Parent notification; sex education courses
  - 51555 Parent notification in grades K-6; sex education courses
  - 51820 Venereal disease instruction

Management Resources:

- CDE PUBLICATIONS
  - Health Framework for California Public Schools, 1994
- CSBA PUBLICATIONS
  - Saving Lives: AIDS Issues for California Schools, 1994
- WEB SITES
  - CDE: http://www.cde.ca.gov
  - NSBA AIDS Education and School Health Program: http://www.nsba.org/services/federation/hivweb.html
  - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Adolescent and School Health: http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dash/