

**Instruction**

**Exhibit - Notice to Parents/Guardians of Students Enrolled in Family Life and Sex Education Classes** <sup>1</sup>

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Class and Time \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

**Classes or Courses on Sex Education, Family Life Instruction, Instruction on Diseases, Recognizing and Avoiding Sexual Abuse, or Donor Programs for Organ/Tissue, Blood Donor, and Transplantation**

For your information, State law requires that all sex education instruction be developmentally and age appropriate, evidence-based, medically accurate, and complete. Courses that discuss sexual intercourse place substantial emphasis on both abstinence and contraception for the prevention of pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. Courses will emphasize that abstinence is a responsible and positive decision and the only 100% effective prevention of pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV/AIDS. Family life courses are designed to promote a wholesome and comprehensive understanding of the emotional, psychological, physiological, hygienic and social responsibility aspects of family life, and for grades 6 through 12, the prevention of AIDS.

**Request to Examine Instructional Material**

A sample of the District’s instructional materials and course outline for these classes or courses are available from the classroom teacher for your inspection. If you are requesting to examine this material, please complete the following statement and return it to your child’s classroom teacher within five days. <sup>2</sup>

**I request to examine the instructional materials and course outline for this class.**

**Class Attendance Waiver Request**

According to State law, no student is required to take or participate in these classes or courses. There is no penalty for refusing to take or participate in such a course or program.

**The footnotes should be removed before the material is used.**

<sup>1</sup> Schools are not required to notify parents/guardians of their rights as explained in this form. A district must modify this form to match its curriculum. Students may not be required to take or participate in classes or courses on:

1. Comprehensive sex education, including in grades 6-12, instruction on both abstinence and contraception for the prevention of pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV/AIDS. 105 ILCS 5/27-9.1.
2. Family life instruction, including in grades 6-12, instruction on the prevention, transmission, and spread of AIDS. 105 ILCS 5/27-9.2.
3. Instruction on diseases. 105 ILCS 5/27-11.
4. Recognizing and avoiding sexual abuse. 105 ILCS 5/27-13.2.
5. Instruction on donor programs for organ/tissue, blood donor, and transplantation. 105 ILCS 5/27-23.5.

<sup>2</sup> Schools are required to afford individuals, including parents/guardians, an opportunity to examine the instructional materials (105 ILCS 5/27-9.1(d)) but are not required to provide a means for parents/guardians to request to examine the instructional material. This sentence and the following check box may be omitted.

If you do not want your child to participate in these classes or courses, please complete the following **class attendance waiver** statement and return it to your child's classroom teacher within five school days. <sup>3</sup>

**I request that the District waive the class attendance of my child in a class or courses on:**

- Comprehensive sex education, including in grades 6-12, instruction on both abstinence and contraception for the prevention of pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV/AIDS**
- Family life instruction, including in grades 6-12, instruction on the prevention, transmission, and spread of AIDS**
- Instruction on diseases**
- Recognizing and avoiding sexual abuse**
- Instruction on donor programs for organ/tissue, blood donor, and transplantation**

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Student (*please print*)

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Parent/Guardian (*please print*)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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<sup>3</sup> Schools cannot require students to enroll or participate in classes about comprehensive sex education, family life, diseases, recognizing and avoiding sexual abuse, or organ/tissue and blood donor and transplantation programs. 105 ILCS 5/27-9.1(a-5), 5/27-9.2, 5/27-11, 5/27-13.2, and 5/27-23.5. However, schools are not required to provide a means for parents/guardians to request a class attendance waiver; this sentence and the following check box may be omitted. If kept, the check boxes should be modified to match the curriculum.