

Series 6000 – Instruction

1. Elementary and Secondary

D. Curriculum

(2) Basic Instructional Program

(a) Education of Sexuality

The Suffield Board of Education unanimously endorses the teaching of Education of Sexuality to children and youth enrolled in the Suffield Public Schools. The Board believes that Education of Sexuality should be developed as one component of a total health education program. The sexuality program will include Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome education in accordance with State Law.

The Board, as a matter of policy, requires that teachers of the program in Education of Sexuality shall be thoroughly prepared to teach the program. The Board further stipulates that any parent or guardian may request an alternative educational experiences if they do not wish to have a child or children included in classes on Education of Sexuality and/or AIDS Education. This request must be in written form sent to the Superintendent of Schools.

The Board of Education requires that parents and guardians of students who will have an opportunity to be taught Education of Sexuality be given an opportunity each year to understand the program and become familiar with materials to be used.

The Board reserves to itself the right and duty to preview all material proposed to be used by students in the program Education of Sexuality. Only materials specifically approved by the Board of Education shall be used by students enrolled in the program.

The Principal of each school shall have the operational responsibility for the Education of Sexuality program in his/her school, shall annually evaluate the program and upon request report such evaluation to the Superintendent of Schools.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes
10-16c State board to develop family life education curriculum guides.
10-16d Family life education programs not mandatory.
10-16e Students not required to participate in family life education programs.
10-16f Family life programs to supplement required curriculum.

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