

The Hazel Park School District has approved a program of instruction for second grade students entitled "Some Secrets Should Not Be Kept" based on a book by Janeen Sanders. This lesson includes the viewing of the video "Some Secrets Should Not Be Kept". This video focuses on sexual abuse prevention. Following the video the presenter has a short discussion with the class that would stress the following:

- 1. Re-enforcing the District's policy of "The Touching Rule". This rule focuses on four major points for students when faced with a sexual abuse situation: a) abuse is not your fault; b) you want to use words that mean 'no'; c) get away from that abuser; and d) tell a trusted adult.
- 2. Reassure students that it's okay to tell someone you don't want to be touched.
- 3. Remind students that no one should ever ask you to keep a secret about touching or offer you gifts in exchange for your silence.
- 4. Encourage the student to continue to tell until someone does listen.

This material is presented by Mrs. Blair, Human Reproductive Health Coordinator, and/or the classroom teacher. All topics and materials have been recommended by the Human Reproductive Health Education Advisory Board and approved by the Board of Education.

The Advisory Board is made up of Hazel Park School District parents, students, clergy, educators, and interested citizens. If you as a parent or guardian are interested in being a part of the Advisory Board, please contact Mrs. Beverly Blair at Webster Elementary (248) 658-5529.

According to the state law in areas related to Human Reproductive Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Education, you as a parent or guardian have the right to:

- 1. Be informed of the content of instruction: (included above)
- 2. View the materials to be used. Please contact Mrs. Blair to arrange a time to review the materials.
- 3. Observe the instruction in your child's classroom: Arrangements for observing in the classroom need to be made in advance with the classroom teacher.
- 4. "Opt" or excuse your child out of the instruction:

If you choose to have your child "Opted Out" of the instruction, without penalty, please check with your child's teacher for the appropriate form or contact Mrs. Beverly Blair at the phone number listed above. It is important to note that if you have "Opted" your child out of Human Reproductive Health, HIV/AIDS Prevention Education in the past, they will remain "Opted Out" until you notify the school that you would like them "Opted In."

Sincerely, Amy Kruppe, Ed. D. Superintendent of Schools Mrs. Beverly Blair Human Reproductive Health Coordinator