6th Grade Reproductive Health

The Hazel Park School District has approved a program of instruction for sixth grade students in reproductive health, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) prevention education. This includes the Sex Can Wait curriculum by ETR Associates. This curriculum is an abstinence based curriculum designed to give parents the opportunity to interact with their son or daughter through the use of handouts and assigned homework.

The program is designed for several instructional sessions during the school year and will be presented by their Health Education instructor. Content of the Human Reproductive Health and HIV/AIDS program for sixth grade will include the following: Anatomy, reproduction, maturation, pregnancy, birth, genetics, birth defects, sexually transmitted diseases, HIV/AIDS, abstinence, self-esteem, refusal skills, responsibility, decision making, goal setting, careers, cybersafety, cell phone safety, personal body safety and information clearly informing pupils of the law regarding sexual contact with an individual under the age of 16.

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 your child’s Health Education instructor 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,

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