



# ORANGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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**Date: 2017-2018 School Year**

**To: Parents of Secondary Students**

**From: Educational Services**

The Board of Education requires written notification to parents regarding classes in which human reproductive organs, functions, and processes are described, illustrated or discussed [(BP6142.1(a))]. This may occur in units on reproduction and communicable disease involving HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases.

California state law, the California Healthy Youth Act, requires that comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education be provided to students at least once in middle school or junior high school and once in high school, starting in grade 7.

Instruction must encourage students to communicate with parents, guardians or other trusted adults on the topics covered within the curriculum. Instruction must be medically accurate, age-appropriate and inclusive of all students. Trained health and science teachers will provide this instruction. It must include the following:

- Information about HIV and other sexually transmitted infections (STIs), including transmission, FDA approved methods to prevent HIV and STIs treatment.
- Information that abstinence is the only certain way to prevent unintended pregnancy and HIV and other STIs, and information about value of delaying sexual activity
- Discussion about social views of HIV and AIDS
- Information about accessing resources for sexual and reproductive health care
- Information about pregnancy, including FDA approved prevention methods, pregnancy outcomes, prenatal care, and the newborn safe surrender law
- Information about sexual orientation and gender, including the harm of negative gender stereotypes
- Information about health relationships and avoiding unhealthy behaviors and situations

If you wish to preview any instructional materials, please contact the principal at your student's school site. If you have questions, please see the teacher or principal. You may request a copy of the California Healthy Youth Act (California Education Code Sections 51930-51939) by contacting the principal.

State law allows you to remove your student from comprehensive sexual health or HIV prevention education. If you do not want your student to participate in this portion of the instruction, please give written request to your student's principal.

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\_\_\_\_\_ I request that my student **NOT** participate in portion of the class in which comprehensive sexual health or HIV prevention education curriculum topics are discussed.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_