

The Idaho Legislature has found that the primary responsibility for family life and sex education, including moral responsibility, is in the home and the church, and schools can only complement and supplement those standards established in the family. The legislature has given this board the authority to determine whether any program in family life and sex education will be introduced into its schools.

Sex education is defined as the study of the anatomy and the physiology of human reproduction.

### **CURRICULUM**

The district's sex education curriculum will be age-appropriate and will emphasize abstinence. Major emphasis in any family life and sex education class will be to assist the home in giving the students the knowledge and appreciation of the family in our social system.

Such courses will give students the scientific, physiological information for understanding sex.

Any program adopted by this district will give students a background of ideals, standards, and attitudes that will be valuable to the students.

The superintendent or designee will inform, in writing, district staff of the federal restrictions and prohibitions regarding the development and distribution of materials that may promote or encourage sexual activities.

### **PARENT PARTICIPATION**

This district will involve parents/guardians and community groups in the planning, development, evaluation, and revision of any instruction in sex education.

### **EXEMPTING STUDENTS FROM SEX EDUCATION**

Any parent/guardian may have his or her student excused from any planned instruction in sex education by filing a written request with the board. Alternative educational endeavors will be provided for those students who are excused.

### **DISTRIBUTION OF CONTRACEPTIVES**

The superintendent or designee will inform, in writing, district staff of the federal restrictions and prohibitions regarding the distribution of contraceptives.

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**LEGAL REFERENCE:**

Idaho Code Sections

33-1608

33-1609

33-1610

33-1611

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (2001)

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