

Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction

The Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) recognizes that the purpose of sexual health and HIV/AIDS prevention instruction is to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to protect them from unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases and to encourage students to develop healthy attitudes concerning adolescent growth and development, body image, gender roles, sexual orientation, dating, marriage, and family. SCOE, therefore, desires to provide a well-planned sequence of instruction on comprehensive sexual health and HIV/AIDS prevention.

The curriculum shall be aligned with the state's content standards, based on medically accurate and factual information, and designed to teach students to make healthy choices and reduce high-risk behaviors. The program shall comply with the requirements of law, SCOE policy, and administrative regulation and shall respect the rights of parents/guardians to supervise their children's education on these subjects and to impart values regarding human sexuality to their children.

Parent/Guardian Consent

A parent/guardian may request in writing that his/her child be excused from participating in HIV/AIDS prevention or sexual health education. Students so excused by their parents/guardians shall be given an alternative educational activity.

A student shall not be subject to disciplinary action, academic penalty, or other sanction if the student's parent/guardian declines to permit the student to receive the instruction.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 220 Prohibition of discrimination
- 48980 Notice at beginning of term
- 51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety
- 51210.8 Health education curriculum
- 51240 Excuse from instruction due to religious beliefs
- 51513 Materials containing questions about beliefs or practices
- 51930-51939 Comprehensive Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Education Act

HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE

- 1255.7 Parents surrendering physical custody of a baby

PENAL CODE

- 243.4 Sexual battery
- 261.5 Unlawful sexual intercourse
- 271.5 Parents voluntarily surrendering custody of a baby

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

- 1232h Protection of student rights
- 7906 Sex education

Policy Cross-Reference:

- 5022 Student and Family Privacy Rights
- 5030 Student Wellness
- 5141.22 Infectious Diseases
- 5141.25 Availability of Condoms
- 5146 Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students
- 6142.8 Comprehensive Health Education
- 6143 Courses of Study