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- K-12 Student and Parent Rights - Reproductive Health and Disease Education (1002.20 F.S.)
- Required Instruction - Comprehensive Health Education (1003.42 F.S.)

Dear Parent:

The Okeechobee County School Board (OCSB) offers comprehensive health and science education.

- Health education concepts include community health; consumer health; environmental health; family life, including an awareness of the benefits of sexual abstinence as the expected standard and the consequences of teenage pregnancy; mental and emotional health; injury prevention and safety; internet safety; nutrition; personal health; prevention and control of disease; and substance use and abuse.
- Health education concepts for students in grades 7 through 12 shall include a teen dating violence and abuse component that includes, but is not limited to, the definition of dating violence and abuse, the warning signs of dating violence and abusive behavior, the characteristics of health relationships, measures to prevent and stop dating violence and abuse, and community resources available to victims of dating violence and abuse.
- Science education concepts in grades 6, 9, and 10 include the study of the human reproductive system; process of human development; and infectious agents that may infect the human body.
- Materials used in the OCSB are posted on the District's homepage (okee.k12.fl.us).

You have the right to exempt your child from the teaching of reproductive health or any disease, including HIV/AIDS, its symptoms, development, and treatment. **If you would like to exempt your child from this content materials, please complete and return this document to your child's principal.**

Dear Principal:

I request my child be exempt from the teaching of reproductive health or any disease, including HIV/AIDS, its symptoms, development, and treatment. I understand my child will receive alternate assignments during the instruction and assessment of this lesson.

Student Name (Print) _____

Grade _____

Student ID Number _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

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