HEALTH EDUCATION

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Health education will be offered, but no student may be required to take instruction in physiology and hygiene, sanitation, the effects of controlled substances and alcohol upon the human system, symptoms of disease, and the proper care of the body if his/her parent files with the teacher a written objection thereto. (See Policy 331.2) If a student does not take instruction in these subjects as a result of parental objection, the student may not be required to be examined in the subjects and may not be penalized in any way for not taking such instruction. But if the subjects receive credit toward graduation, the District may require the student to complete an alternate assignment that is similar to the subjects in the length of time necessary to complete.

The instructor to ensure that they are objective and that no moral point of view is espoused must review materials selected. Teachers will be asked to avoid resource persons or organizations with strong moral points of view speaking to the class. This policy is not meant to preclude the use of licensed medical personnel to act as resource persons on the biological or physiological aspects of health.

When parents or guardians choose to opt-out a student, the student will be expected to complete all other parts of the curriculum. In addition, the student will be expected to complete alternative educational activities, as assigned by the teacher, during those times he/she is excused from the regular course work.

Legal Reference(s): Wisconsin Statutes 118.01 (2) (c) (d) 118.019 118.33 (1) (a) (2)

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