

HEALTH EDUCATION

The Board believes that the greatest opportunity for effective health education lies within the public schools because of the opportunity to reach almost all children at an age where positive, lifelong health habits may be engendered and the availability of qualified personnel to conduct health education programs and health services. Good health is a dynamic, not a static quality and therefore depends upon continuous, lifelong attention to scientific advances and acquisition of new knowledge.

In addition to the requirements listed below, the customary policies and regulations concerning the approval of new curriculum content, units and materials shall apply to any comprehensive health education courses offered by the district:

1. Instructional materials to be used in comprehensive health education courses shall be available for inspection by the public during school hours. A public forum shall be scheduled to receive public comments.
2. Parents/guardians of all students shall be notified that such courses have been scheduled and that they may request that their child be exempt from a specific portion of the program on the grounds that it is contrary to their religious beliefs.
3. The Board shall approve an exemption procedure. If a student is granted an exemption, an alternative educational assignment shall be arranged.
4. Teachers who provide instruction in comprehensive health education shall have professional - preparation in the subject area, either at the pre-service or inservice level.

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-25-106 (4) C.R.S. 22-25-110 (2)