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School Instruction and Human Sexuality Policy

PURPOSE

American Leadership Academy supports and understands that parents have the primary role as agents in the transmission of values as well as the education of their children in the area of Human Sexuality. School officials recognize the importance of compliance with Utah state laws regulating the teaching of Human Sexuality.

POLICY PROCEDURES

American Leadership Academy, with written permission of parents/guardians, will play a supportive role in teaching Human Sexuality through the health education curriculum. The instruction must be based on medical facts and comply with Utah state law. ALA parents will have an opportunity to view the course outline in a timely manner and give their written permission to opt in their child. If parents/guardians do not give written permission for this portion of the curriculum, the student will not be permitted in the health class during the instruction of Human Sexuality. The Administration will find an alternative class for the student during this time.

PROCEDURES

1. Form a committee of ALA parents to review instructional material.
2. Invited outside speakers must be approved by the review committee.
3. Obtain prior written consent of parents/guardians for student/s to opt in the Human Sexuality portion of Health Education.
4. The approved items from the review committee will be listed in the Human Sexuality syllabus for evaluation by parents/guardians.
5. Educators may only address approved topics in the classroom. Educators must refer questions from students that are **not** in compliance with the law to the parents or guardians of said student for more information.
6. All information must be based on medical facts.
7. Any complaints by parents/guardians must be recorded.
8. Instructions of illegal behaviors which are defined in Utah Law are prohibited.
9. Educators must attend training regarding compliance to the laws and policies governing Human Sexuality in the classroom.

UTAH LAWS

In compliance to Utah state laws, the following guidelines for instruction in Human Sexuality must be followed:

1. Prior written parental consent before instructing students in the area of Human Sexuality.
2. An educator may not intentionally elicit comments or questions about matters subject to parental consent requirements.

3. Educator's responses that are permitted must be brief, factual, objective, and in harmony with content requirements.
4. Educator's responses must be age appropriate and in consideration of the maturity of students.
5. Support of marriage and the family, abstinence from sexual activity before marriage, and fidelity after marriage.
6. Parents must be given ample time for review of material to be taught.
7. A review committee will be formed to review the material.
8. All complaints from parents concerning the instructional material in the area of Human Sexuality must be recorded.

The following under Utah law may not be taught in the classroom:

1. The intricacies of intercourse, sexual stimulation, or erotic behaviors.
2. The advocacy of homosexuality.
3. The advocacy or encouragement of the use of contraceptive methods or devices by unmarried minors.
4. The advocacy of sexual promiscuity or sexual activity outside of marriage.

The following is Utah law regarding offences against the family and must be supported: (6-7-104 Utah Code)

1. Any unmarried person who shall voluntarily engage in sexual intercourse with another is guilty of fornication.
2. Fornication is a class B misdemeanor.

The following law regarding morality must be supported: (3-A-13-101(4) Utah Code)

1. Honesty, temperance, morality, courtesy, obedience to law, respect for and understanding of the Constitution of the United States and the State Constitution of Utah, the essentials and benefits of the free enterprise system, respect for parents and home, and the dignity and necessity of honest labor and other skills, habits and qualities of character which will promote an upright and desirable citizenry and better prepare students for a richer, happier life shall be taught in connection with regular school work.

In accordance with Utah law concerning abortion and contraception, educators must not make reference to the following: (Utah Code 76-7-321)

2. "Abortion services" meaning any material, program, and plan or undertaking that is used for instruction on the use of birth control devices and substances, encourages individuals to use birth control methods, or provides birth control devices.
3. "Contraceptive services" meaning any material, program, and plan or undertaking that is used for instruction on the use of birth control devices and substances, encourages individuals to use birth control methods, or provides birth control devices.