# Vicksburg Community Schools

Report on the Achievement of Objectives for the Human Growth and Development Program- June 2018

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## Background Information

- In June of 2004, Michigan state legislators passed Public Acts 165 and 166.
- Acts 165 and 166 outline the planning, training, and implementation mandates for HIV/AIDS and sex education, as well as a parent complaint process.
- Required the establishment of a Sex Education Advisory Board

## Sex Education Advisory Board

- Comprised of a variety of school and community members whose role is to:
  - Establish program goals and objectives for pupil knowledge and skills that are likely to reduce the rates of sex, pregnancy, and sexually transmitted diseases; and
  - At least once every 2 years, evaluate, measure, and report the attainment of program goals and objectives.

## Sex Education Advisory Board

- Current Board Members:
  - Administrator: Dennis Kirby
  - Health Educators: Cody Caswell & Toni Thole
  - Parents: Lisa Kubiak & Tamara Puckett
  - RN/BSN: Heather Deal
  - Counselor: Tatiana Curtiss
  - Clergy: Dave Downs
  - Students: Annie Gebben, Remi O'Neill, Carter Root & Michael Tultz

## Content Requirements vs District Options

#### What we must do:

 Teach about dangerous communicable diseases, including but not limited to, HIV/AIDS at each building level (instruction must include principle modes by which these diseases are spread, and the best methods for restriction and prevention)

#### What we choose to do:

- Teach sex education
- (so long as we do so in accordance with Michigan Laws related to sex education and reproductive health)

## Summary of Curriculum Content Mandates

(commonly referred to as the 'a-k' section of the law)

- Benefits of abstaining from sex
- Possible legal, emotional, and economic consequences of sex
- Serious possibilities of sexual intercourse
- Laws pertaining to parental responsibilities
- How to say 'no' to sexual advances
- Refusal Skills
- Power to control personal behavior
- Healthy dating relationships
- Adoption services/Safe Delivery of Newborns law
- Legal implications of sex or sexual contact with an individual under age 16

#### Parental Notification

- Annual letter notifying parents/legal guardians of intent to teach this material.
- Dates of instruction
- Content of Instruction
- Parents have the right to:
  - Review the materials in advance
  - Observe instruction
  - Excuse their child without penalty

## Evaluation Of Advisory Board's Objectives 2016-17 and 2017-18

- Reconvene the Sex Education Advisory Board.
   (Completed Winter 2017)
- With several new members added to the committee in 2016-17, we established the goal of educating the members on the overall Human Growth and Development Curriculum K-12. (In Progress)
- Review and redesign the elementary program.
   Develop a consolidated plan to utilize key educators (Thole, Caswell, Duncan, Getsinger) in the delivery of uniform, approved lessons to all 3 elementary buildings. (Completed-Spring 2018)

## Next Steps....

- Work with administration to possibly expand the elementary program to include some social/emotional lessons, which will require additional days of instruction.
- Continue to deepen Advisory Board's knowledge of K-12 Human Growth and Development (HGDV) Curriculum.

## Next Steps....

 Continuation of compliance checks with any 2018-2019 Mandates & Laws regarding HGDV.

 Define the work of the "Wellness" piece of our Advisory Board and roles.

## Summary

- The ultimate goal of our HGDV curriculum is to educate and change student behavior in a positive way to meet the reproductive health challenges of the future.
- Our district is in compliance with the law as stated in Public Act 165 and 166 of 2004 and Section 308.1570b of the Michigan School Code.
- The advisory board is actively engaged in the betterment of our Human Growth and Development (HGDV) curriculum K-12, and will be continuing that work when we meet again this Fall.