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REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING

The Board of Education directs that instruction be provided on the principal modes by which dangerous communicable diseases, including HIV and AIDS, are spread and the best methods for the restriction and prevention of these diseases. The instruction shall stress that abstinence from sex is the only protection that is 100% effective against unplanned pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV and AIDS, and that abstinence is a positive lifestyle for unmarried young people. The Board of Education directs that students receive instruction in reproductive health, family planning, and the recognition, prevention, and treatment of noncasual contact communicable diseases such as venereal diseases, HPV, and HIV; and the use of abstinence from sex as a responsible method for restriction and prevention of noncasual contact communicable disease and as a positive life style for unmarried young people. "Reproductive health" shall be defined as that state of an individual's well being which involves the reproductive system and its physiological, psychological, and endocrinological functions.

No person shall dispense or otherwise distribute in a District school or on District school property a family planning drug or device. Additionally, any officer, agent, or employee of the Board is prohibited from referring a student for an abortion or assisting a student in obtaining an abortion.

The Board accepts as policy the guidelines entitled "Sex Education Guidelines including Reproductive Health and Family Planning" established by the Michigan Department of Education. A copy shall be available for inspection in the Board Superintendent's office.

Each person who teaches K <u>-</u>to-12 students about human immunodeficiency virus infection and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome shall have training in human immunodeficiency virus infection and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome education for young people. Licensed health care professionals who have received training on human immunodeficiency virus infection and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome are exempt from this requirement.

A Sex Education Advisory Board shall be established in order to ensure the effective participation of parents and community groups in the design and implementation of this program area.

Teacher consultants to the District will meet preparatory criteria established by the State guidelines before participating in sex education instructional activities.

The District shall notify the parents, in advance of the instruction and about the content of the instruction, give the parents an opportunity, prior to instruction, to review the materials to be used (other than tests), as well as the opportunity to

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observe the instruction, and advise the parents of their rights to have their child excused from the instruction.

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The Superintendent shall prepare regulations to implement these recommended guidelines which are to include at least two (2) public hearings on any revisions to any of the curricula described above. The hearings shall be held at least one (1) week apart and public notice of the hearings shall be given and conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

Before any revisions to the curriculum on the subjects taught pursuant to M.C.L. 380.1169 are implemented, the Board shall hold at least two (2) public hearings on the proposed revisions. The hearings shall be held at least one (1) week apart and public notice of the hearings shall be given in the manner required for board meetings. A public hearing held pursuant to this section may be held in conjunction with a public hearing held pursuant to M.C.L. 380.1507.

M.C.L.A. 380.1169, A.C. Rule 388.273 et seq. 380.1507,

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