

**Memo**

**To:** Dori Leyko, ELPS Superintendent

**From:** Anne Scott, ELPS Sex Education Supervisor; Melisa Fore, SEAB Co-Chair; Danny Hearit, SEAB Co-Chair

**Date:** October 13, 2025

**Subject:** Sex Education Guest Speaker Approval Recommendation: Lansing Women's Center "Empowering Youth Workshop: Understanding Consent for Dating and Life"

Through funding from the Community Foundation 2024 Youth grant and the Uplift Our Youth Foundation 2024 grant, the Lansing Women's Center is offering its "Empowering Youth Workshop Series" to Lansing-area school districts.

The East Lansing Sex Education Advisory Board has reviewed the workshop, "Understanding Consent for Dating and Life", facilitated by Dr. Samantha Vaive, a sexual health therapist and educator, which provides youth with essential knowledge about consent, boundaries, and respectful communication using an engaging activity building ice cream sundaes. The workshop's learning objectives are age-appropriate for 6th through 12th grade classrooms, provide sexual health education, and align with Michigan Grade-Level Content Expectations for sexuality education for grades 6 through 12.

The SEAB believes the addition of this guest presentation will enhance the content for middle and high school students, build upon objectives within the HIV/STI prevention and sex education core curriculum, and contribute to a deeper understanding of consent, equip students with the tools and strategies to handle consent effectively, and foster a sense of community and support among peers and educators.

Action: The ELPS Sex Education Advisory Board (SEAB) recommends that the ELPS Board of Education accept this recommendation and consider approval of Lansing Women's Center "*Empowering Youth Workshop Series: Understanding Consent for Dating & Life.*" Facilitated by Dr. Samantha Vaive as a sex education guest speaker for 6th through 12th-grade classrooms.

Attachments:

- WCGL Consent Workshop Flyer
- LWC Consent Workshop 6-12.pdf