

Walla Walla Public Schools

BOARD POLICY

Policy No. 2125

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SEXUAL HEALTH EDUCATION

The Walla Walla School District board of directors is authorized by law to determine whether sexual health education instruction will be offered in the district. The board has determined that such a program will be offered to students, consistent with state law.

Sexual health education instruction offered by the district will be medically and scientifically accurate, age appropriate, appropriate for students regardless of gender, race, disability status, or sexual orientation and include information about abstinence and other methods of preventing unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. Abstinence will not be taught to the exclusion of other instruction on contraceptives and disease prevention. The district's sexual health education program will be consistent with the Guidelines for Sexual Health Information and Disease Prevention developed by the Department of Health and the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The superintendent will provide parents/guardians an opportunity to review the materials to be used and provide information on excluding their child from sexual health education instruction.

Cross Reference:

Board Policy 2126

AIDS Prevention Education Board

Board Policy 2020

Course Design, Selection and Adoption of Instructional Materials

Legal References:

RCW 28A.300.475

Medically Accurate Sexual Health Education – Curricula – Participation excused – Parental review

RCW 28A.600.480 (2)

Reporting of harassment, intimidation or bullying. Retaliation prohibited – Immunity

WAC 392-410-140

Sex Health Education – Definition – Optional course or subject matter – Excusal of students

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