

Instruction

Drugs, Tobacco, Alcohol

The Board of Education desires that every effort be made by all staff members to reduce the chances that students will begin or continue use of harmful drugs, tobacco and alcohol.

The professional staff shall become more aware of the problem, and become more expert in recognition of the symptoms of such use. Annually, teachers in each grade shall emphasize the effect of alcohol, nicotine, tobacco and drugs on health, character, citizenship and personality development wherever appropriate in the health education program and other contexts which touch on the subject.

It is desired that the administration make use of in-service training sessions for both certified and non-certified staff to achieve the goals of this policy, and that full cooperation with community agencies be given wherever such cooperation can be advantageous to the students.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-16b Prescribed courses of study.

10-19 Effect of alcohol, nicotine or tobacco and drugs to be taught.

10-19a Superintendent to designate substance abuse prevention team.

10-19b Advisory councils on drug abuse prevention.

10-220 Duties of boards of education.

10-221(d) Boards of education to prescribe rules.

Policy adopted: January 17, 2012

PUTNAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)

Education is the best way to prevent the spread of AIDS, and through learning the facts about AIDS, students are better able to make decisions which will keep them healthy and even save their lives. Various school district curricula, including health curricula, science curricula, and social studies curricula among others shall include information on AIDS - both its cause and prevention.

Students will be exempt from instruction on acquired immune deficiency syndrome upon written request of the parent or guardian in accordance with regulation.

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Administrative Regulation:

1. Within two (2) weeks after the first day of school, the Superintendent of Schools will forward, or cause to be forwarded, to all parents of children attending the schools of the region, information schools will place in handbooks and on district website:
 - 1.1 The State requirement for instruction on acquired immune deficiency syndrome and this district's compliance with that requirement.
 - 1.2 Parent's right to exempt their child(ren) from instruction on acquired immune deficiency syndrome.
 - 1.3 Procedures to be followed by parents who wish to cause their child(ren) to be exempt from instruction on acquired immune deficiency syndrome:
 - 1.3.1 Parents who wish to cause their child(ren) to be exempt will notify the Building Principal.
 - 1.3.2 The Building Principal will provide an opportunity for parents requesting an exemption to review the curriculum for acquired immune deficiency syndrome instruction. (Principals will provide an opportunity for all interested parents to learn about the AIDS instruction program, whether or not they wish to request that their child(ren) be exempt from such instruction.)
 - 1.3.3 After reviewing the acquired immune deficiency syndrome instruction curriculum, the parents may request, in writing, that their child(ren) be exempt from such instruction. All such written requests will be honored.
2. Reasonable effort will be made by the Building Principal to cause the parents to review the curriculum before requesting exemption; however, parental requests for their child(ren) to be exempt from such instruction will be honored even if the parents refuse to review the curriculum.