

Family Life/Human Sexuality Exemption Form 2017/2018 (All Grades)

Florida Statute 1003.42 requires instruction in Human Sexuality Education as part of a Comprehensive Health Education Program. The School Board of Broward County, Florida, has authorized teaching Family Life/Human Sexuality and HIV/AIDS Prevention as a component of Health Education.

The Family Life/Human Sexuality Policy, Policy 5315 states in part:

"It is essential that a universal comprehensive sexual health curriculum that follows the National Sexuality Education Standards be in place in order to make certain every student receives the same quality information necessary to support their education and live a healthy life."

Broward County Public Schools respects the rights of parents and their role in the education of their children. According to Florida Statute 1003.42(3), "Any student whose parent makes written request to the school principal shall be exempt from the teaching of reproductive health or any disease, including HIV/AIDS, its symptoms, development, and treatment. A student so exempted may not be penalized by reason of that exemption."

Only if you wish for your child to be excused from attending this course, should you complete the form below and return it to the school. Your child will then be scheduled into an alternative assignment during the Family Life/Human Sexuality lessons.

We appreciate your interest and cooperation in the implementation of our Comprehensive Health Education Program.

The Family Life/Human Sexuality curriculum will be presented by District trained teachers selected by your school principal and may include presentations from District approved experts in the field of sexually transmitted infection prevention.

You may review the curriculum content and instructional materials by visiting <http://www.browardprevention.org/health-wellness/sexual-health/curriculum1/> or by scheduling an appointment with your child's school. Additional parent resources are available at www.browardprevention.org/health-wellness/sexual-health/.

Note: Only if you wish to have your child excused from this course, should this form be completed and submitted to the school on an annual basis, WITHIN 10 DAYS FROM THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL or from the date of enrollment, if a student enrolls after the start of each school year. Failure to return this form constitutes permission for your child to participate in the Family Life/Human Sexuality curriculum.

____ I **DO NOT** want my child to participate in any of the Family Life/Human Sexuality lessons.

School Name _____

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____