



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Florida Statute requires that all students have Comprehensive Health Education in grades K-12. Comprehensive health education addresses concepts of community health; consumer health; environmental health; family life; internet safety; mental and emotional health; injury prevention and safety; nutrition; personal health; prevention and control of disease; substance use and abuse; and teen dating violence.

Comprehensive Health Education in Lee County, through school, parents and community involvement, seeks to develop in students an understanding of the body's natural potential for health. Through Health Education, students learn ways to prevent or avoid threats to that potential and to adopt a lifestyle that maintains health throughout life.

Good health habits/behaviors increase the chances for personal success. Poor health habits/behaviors prevent youth from acquiring basic skills, having strong self-concepts and ultimately, meeting their potential. Positive lifestyles and good healthy habits are basic to personal growth and development.

Statute 1003.42(3) provides that "Any student whose parent makes written request to the school principal shall be exempted 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. Course descriptions for comprehensive health education shall not interfere with the local determination of appropriate curriculum which reflects local values and concerns."

By signing below, you acknowledge that you have read this information and that you authorize your child may **not** participate in the curriculum associated with Statute 1003.42(3).

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student Name (Please Print)

If you have any questions, or concerns, please contact the school Principal