San Francisco Unified School District
Board Policy 6142.1
Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction

The Governing Board desires to provide a well-planned, integrated sequence of medically accurate and inclusive instruction on comprehensive sexual health and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevention. The district's educational program shall provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to protect them from sexually transmitted infections and unintended pregnancy and to have healthy, positive, and safe relationships and behaviors. The district's educational program shall also promote understanding of sexuality as a normal part of human development and the development of healthy attitudes and behaviors concerning adolescent growth and development, body image, gender, sexual orientation, relationships, marriage, and family.

(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

Comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education shall be offered to all students in grades 7-12, including at least once in junior high or middle school and at least once in high school. (Education Code 51934)

(cf. 6302 Comprehensive Health Education)

The district's curriculum shall support the purposes of the California Healthy Youth Act as specified in Education Code 51930-51939, be unbiased and inclusive of all students in the classroom, and be aligned with the state's content standards. The district shall respect the rights of parents/guardians to supervise their children's education on these subjects and to impart values regarding human sexuality to their children.
(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)

(cf. 5141.25 - Availability of Condoms)
(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)
(cf. 6143 - Courses of Study)

The district’s Curriculum and Materials Review Task Force reviews materials dealing with sexuality or related content to make recommendations for use of these materials in SFUSD classrooms. This task force, which includes educators, parents, and community members, evaluates materials based on age and developmental appropriateness, cultural inclusion, relevance to curriculum and consistency with educational norms.

**Parent/Guardian Consent**

Annually, parents/guardians shall be notified, in the manner specified in the accompanying administrative regulation, that they may request in writing that their child be excused from participating in comprehensive sexual health and HIV prevention education. Students so excused by their parents/guardians shall be given an alternative educational activity. (Education Code 51240, 51938, 51939)

(cf. 5022 - Student and Family Privacy Rights)

A student shall not be subject to disciplinary action, academic penalty, or other sanction if the student's parent/guardian declines to permit the student to receive the instruction. (Education Code 51939)

Legal Reference:

**EDUCATION CODE**
220  Prohibition of discrimination
33544  Inclusion of sexual harassment and violence in health curriculum framework
48980  Notice at beginning of term
51202  Instruction in personal and public health and safety
51210.8  Health education curriculum
51225.35  Instruction in sexual harassment and violence; districts that require health education for graduation
51240  Excuse from instruction due to religious beliefs
51513  Materials containing questions about beliefs or practices
51930-51939  California Healthy Youth Act
67386  Student safety; affirmative consent standard

**HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE**
1255.7  Parents surrendering physical custody of a baby

**PENAL CODE**
243.4  Sexual battery
261.5  Unlawful sexual intercourse
271.5  Parents voluntarily surrendering custody of a baby

**UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20**
1232h  Protection of student rights
7906  Sex education

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS
Promoting Healthy Relationships for Adolescents: Board Policy Considerations, Governance Brief, August 2014
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS
Health Education Content Standards for California Public Schools, Kindergarten Through Grade 12, 2008
Health Framework for California Public Schools: Kindergarten through Grade 12, 2003

WEB SITES
CSBA: http://www.csba.org
California Department of Education, Sex Education and HIV/STD Instruction: http://www.cde.ca.gov/lp/he/se
California Department of Public Health: http://www.cdph.ca.gov
California Healthy Kids Resource Center: http://www.californiahealthykids.org
California Safe Schools Coalition: http://www.casafeschools.org
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: http://www.cdc.gov
U.S. Food and Drug Administration: http://www.fda.gov

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