

## **Instructions for Parents Regarding Non-Consent to Human Sexuality Instruction**

Parents and Guardians: Thank you for your interest in protecting your children from explicit human sexuality materials and instruction in public schools.

- Attached to this Memo is a Parental Non-Consent Form that you can fill out for each of your children and present to the principal or other administrator at your school.
- You should fill out two copies for each child, one for the school to keep in your child's file, and one for you to keep for your records.
- There is a place at the bottom for the signature of the person who receives the form, and the date it was received.
- If the recipient questions signing the form, thinking that they are somehow approving it or agreeing with it, indicate that it is only stating that it was received on a certain date.
- As an alternative, they can use a "received" stamp with the date to record that it was provided to the school. The purpose of this form is to put the school on notice regarding what is/is not acceptable for your child with regard to the issues described in the form.
- Regardless of whether the school has another form for consent or no form at all, the Parental Non-Consent Form places the school on notice of precisely what you are/are not consenting to.
- If there is a "school approved" form, you can attach this form to it, and write on the school form that there is an attached form that specifies your instructions regarding your child.
- You might get some pushback about whether this is legally binding on the school. You do not need to engage in a discussion with the administrator on that, but simply state that regardless of what the school believes is its legal effect, you are requesting that the Parental Non-Consent Form be placed in your child's file along with the other forms, e.g. medical releases, student handbook receipts, permission slips, that are kept there.
- If the school ignores your requests and shows objectionable material you can certainly make that public at a school board meeting and/or in local media.
- This form was created and modified using Liberty Counsel's form and is prepared to assist and provide guidance in this area. Should you have questions about any of the points contained in this memo, please call 407-875-1776 or email Liberty@lc.org

## Human Sexuality Instruction Parental Non-Consent Form

For the \_\_\_\_\_ School Year

I, \_\_\_\_\_, as parent and/or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, a minor child, hereby exercise my right under the U.S. Constitution and the Constitution and laws of the State of Illinois, to direct the upbringing and education of my minor child, and hereby place school administrators on notice of the following:

1. I DO NOT CONSENT to my child's participation in any instruction or discussion on human sexuality which is derived in whole or in part from; contains information from; or references the following sources:

- A. [National Sexuality Education Standards](#)
- B. [Future of Sex Education \(FoSE\) Initiative](#)
- C. [Sex, Etc.](#)
- D. [Advocates for Youth](#)
- E. [Answer](#)
- F. [SIECUS \(Sexuality Information and Education Council of the U.S.\)](#)
- G. [Planned Parenthood](#)
- H. [The Kinsey Institute I. GLSEN \(Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network\)](#)
- I. [GLSEN \(Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network\)](#)
- J. [Gay Straight Alliance](#)
- K. [Candor](#)
- L. [Sexual Health Resources listed on the ISBE website](#)

2. I DO NOT CONSENT to my child being given instruction or information on, or being subjected to discussion of any aspect of human sexuality, including the following:

- A. Abortion;
- B. Birth Control/Contraceptives;
- C. Sexual activity of any kind whatsoever, including, but not limited to, vaginal, oral or anal sex;
- D. Sexual orientation, including, but not limited to any variant of homosexuality, including but not limited to, lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer, or questioning identities;
- E. Transgenderism or gender identity, including, but not limited to, gender as social construct; gender binary; gender spectrum; gender reassignment surgery, gender dysphoria, false gender pronouns, gender expression, or cross-sex hormones;
- F. Any referral of my child to a counselor, medical professional, social worker, within or outside the school for purposes of discussing sexuality, or any of the topics listed herein;
- G. Any written material of; reference to; or referral to an outside agency, group, individual or organization relating to sexuality (including, but not limited to those listed in Section 1).

H. Any reference to or participation in a personal analysis, evaluation or survey that reveals or attempts to affect my child's attitudes, habits, traits, opinions, beliefs or feelings concerning: political affiliations; religious beliefs or practices; mental or psychological

I. conditions; sexual behavior or attitudes; sexual activity; sexual orientation; gender identity; or illegal, antisocial, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior;

J. Any advertisement of or participation in any group, organization, club, entity or activity that discusses or addresses sexual activity, sexual orientation or gender identity, under the guise of "bullying" or other rationale;

K. Any additional instruction and discussion, including but not limited to: classroom teachers, school staff, third-party providers, YouTube or other videos, films, livestreaming, other audio-visual methods, textbooks, workbooks, or handout material, including any entity listed under Section 1 or any topic listed under Section 2. I am requesting alternative academic instruction for my child during the same period that any instruction on any aspect of human sexuality is provided.

In accordance with Illinois Statute, [105 ILCS 5/27-9.1a\(d\)](#),

*(d) No student shall be required to take or participate in any class or course in comprehensive personal health and safety and comprehensive sexual health education. A student's parent or guardian may opt the student out of comprehensive personal health and safety and comprehensive sexual health education by submitting the request in writing. Refusal to take or participate in such a course or program may not be a reason for disciplinary action, academic penalty, suspension, or expulsion or any other sanction of a student. A school district may not require active parental consent for comprehensive personal health and safety and comprehensive sexual health education.*

I request that my child be given alternative instruction during the time that these materials and subjects are being presented.

I hereby request that this notification be placed in my child's permanent file and be provided to all people offering instruction to my child during the school year. Any instruction contrary to this notice will be the subject of further action to protect my child.

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Parent and/or Legal Guardian Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Parent and/or Legal Guardian Signature

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Minor Child Printed Name

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_