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NOTICE OF COMPREHENSIVE SEXUAL HEALTH PROGRAM MEETING WHAT IT TAKES TO EXCUSE YOUR CHILD OR LEGAL WARD

Dear Parent/Legal Guardian:

In response to the threat of HIV to our population, the 1988 Washington State Legislature mandated that a program of prevention education be presented yearly to students beginning with the fifth grade. The Aberdeen School District has adopted an appropriate program for HIV prevention and sexual health education with the advice of educators, parents and community members. Beginning this year, the district will be using the FLASH curriculum to be used in grades 4 – 12 for HIV prevention and sexual health education.

A meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 9, 2022, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Stewart Building, 900 Cleveland St., to furnish parents an opportunity to preview the HIV prevention education program. All student instructional materials will be available for your inspection. This will also enable you and your child to have some meaningful family discussions both before and after the classroom presentation.

Following a preview of the materials, parents who wish to have their child excused from participation in the HIV prevention program will sign a release form. State law provides that a parent or guardian must attend such a meeting before they can have their child or legal ward excused from participation in the HIV prevention program.

We look forward to seeing you and discussing this important topic with you.

Sincerely,

Traci Sandstrom, Director
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