



Parents/Guardians,

This letter is to inform you about Leon County School's efforts to address four Florida State Board of Education rules related to health education topics, and provide an opportunity for you to opt your student out of receiving instruction related to the state's required topics, with no penalty to your student.

**Rule 6A-1.094121, F.A.C. – Mental and Emotional Health Education**

**Rule 6A-1.094122, F.A.C. – Substance Use and Abuse Prevention Education**

**Rule 6A-1.0642123, F.A.C. – Child Trafficking Prevention Education**

In accordance with the above rules, we will be providing required instruction related to mental and emotional health education, including substance abuse prevention for students in grades 6-12, through EVERFI, a company that provides mental health education. For more information about EVERFI Mental Wellness Basics visit <https://everfi.com/offerings/listing/mental-wellness/> Additionally, the FL Department of Education has provided age-appropriate programs of Child Trafficking Prevention Education which can be viewed on DOE's webpage at <http://www.fldoe.org/schools/healthy-schools/human-trafficking.stml>. Our school administrators and curriculum team will preview and select the most suitable and developmentally appropriate materials and methods of delivery for each grade level.

**Florida Statue 1003.42 – Human Growth and Development/Sex Education Curriculum**

In accordance with the above statue, we will be providing required instruction using Leon County approved Human Growth and Development/Sex Education Curriculum.

Instruction will be conducted under the supervision of the regular instructional staff of the school, utilizing qualified health experts from the community when they are available. This area of the curriculum is taught in a factual, physiological context. Information on prevention measures, emphasizing abstinence to avoid pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases, and appropriate decision making to avoid high-risk behaviors will be included using a District approved curriculum, including instructional materials and audio visuals.

District Procedure require that parents be provided the opportunity to preview the materials to be used for human growth and development as well as have an opportunity to **Opt Out** their child **without penalty**. Those who Opt Out will be provided alternate instruction in a separate classroom. Should you choose to review these materials, you should contact the school's administration. To opt your child out of the curriculum described above, we must receive the

bottom of the letter signed by you no later than **Monday, 12/9/19**.

Dates material will be covered: **12/10/19, 1/14/20, 1/21/20**

Respectfully,

Mr. Lewis Blessing  
Principal

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My student will not be participating in the curriculum described above.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/ Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_