HUMAN SEXUALITY PROGRAM

Background:

To ensure students achieve learning outcomes prescribed by Alberta Education through the programs of study, the Division, in providing grades 4-9 Health and Life Skills as well as Career and Life Management, shall ensure the human sexuality component is offered to all students.

Procedures:

- 1. Principals shall ensure parents/guardians of students:
 - 1.1. have access to information about the learning outcomes of the Physical Education and Wellness 4-6, Health and Life Skills 7-9 and Career and Life Management (CALM) programs of study;
 - 1.2. may request to preview the learning materials used in teaching the outcomes related to human sexuality; and
 - 1.3. are advised prior to instruction about their right and the process to exempt their child from the human sexuality components of the programs of study.
- If a parent requests a student be exempt from instruction in human sexuality, in accordance with Section 58.1 of the *Education Act* and using the <u>Student Exemption/Informed Consent</u> <u>Form</u> (Form 205-3), the teacher shall provide alternative instruction for the student.
- 3. Alberta Education resources shall be used to support the programs of study as they relate to the human sexuality outcomes.
- 4. Community resources and personnel must be approved by the Principal.

Reference:

Section 1, 2, 16, 19, 52, 53, 58.1, 196, 197 222 *Education Act* Alberta Bill of Rights Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, Constitution Act, 1982 Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Amendment Act Guide to Education: ECS to Grade 12