



**Subject:** Sexual Health and HIV/Aids Prevention

Instruction

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**Approved By:** Board of Directors

**Policy:** 5028.1

Springs Charter Schools recognize that accurate information about family life and human sexuality may contribute to a decreased risk for sexually transmitted diseases or unintended pregnancies. The Governing Board and Superintendent also recognize that Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) infection and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) pose a public health risk and that education is a necessary component for helping to slow the spread of this disease.

Springs Charter Schools adopts comprehensive sexual health and HIV/AIDS prevention curriculum and instructional program. The curriculum and instruction shall be based on medically accurate and factual information and shall help students understand the biological, psychological, social, moral, and ethical aspects of human sexuality.

Springs' Sexual Health Program shall comply with the requirements of law and administrative regulation and 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. Parents/Guardians will be notified prior to their student's participation in the program. The notice shall advise parents/guardians of the following:

- Availability for parent /guardian inspection of written and audiovisual educational materials.
- The method of instruction and those who will provide instruction, including any persons or consultants contracted outside of school staff.
- That parents/guardians have the right to request a copy of Education Code 51930-51938.4.
- That parents/guardians may request in writing that their child not receive comprehensive sexual health or HIV/AIDS prevention education, questionnaires, or surveys regarding health behaviors and risks.

Students shall not be subject to disciplinary action, academic penalty, or any other sanctions if the student's parent/guardian declines to permit the student to receive the instruction or participate in questionnaires or surveys regarding health behaviors and risks.