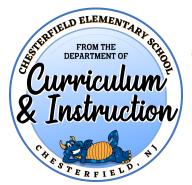
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FAQ

2020 New Jersey Student Learning Standard - Comprehensive Health and Physical Education

- Q. Will parents be able to opt their child out of specific lessons?
- A. Absolutely. Parents continue to have the option of opting their child out of specific health lessons. Any student whose parent or guardian presents to the school principal a signed statement that any or part of the instruction in health, family life education, or sex education is in conflict with his or her conscience or sincerely held moral or religious beliefs shall be excused from that part of the course where such instruction is being given without penalty.

Here at Chesterfield School, parents will submit that statement to Mrs. Graham, our principal, identifying the lessons for which they have a concern. A plan for alternate work and placement will then be created.

- Q. Will parents be able to view the curriculum and opt out of certain topics?
- A. Yes. Once the curriculum is board approved, we will be emailing all parents with the link to access the full document that includes the resources to be used in the lessons. We will ensure that parents will have ample time to review the lessons and contact the school with any questions prior to the instruction of this content. The curriculum will also be posted on the website.
- Q. Will parents get a school calendar when certain Health topics are upcoming so we can plan accordingly?
- A. Yes. Once the curriculum is approved a scope and sequence will be created and provided to parents along with the curriculum. It will also be posted on the website.

- Q. Will these lessons be isolated or spread throughout other subjects?
- A. These lessons will be taught in health class by the health teacher. Our health teachers will utilize the materials listed to provide this instruction during the scheduled health classes.
- Q. What resources are schools required to use?
- A. School districts are not required by the state to use any specific materials. The district has reviewed and chosen the materials to use during instruction. At times, lessons from various resources have been adapted by the district.
- Q. Will my child be taught about masturbation?
- A. Masturbation is listed as a potential topic districts may choose to teach. We will not be including masturbation in our curriculum.
- Q. Will my child be taught about puberty blockers?
- A. There is no mention of puberty blockers in the HPE NJSLS, and we will not be including that topic in our curriculum.