

SITE OPERATIONS CIRCULAR NO. 1043
Office of the Deputy Superintendent

SAN DIEGO CITY SCHOOLS

Date: May 18, 2006

To: Principals, Grades 6-12

Subject: PARENTAL NOTIFICATION OF INSTRUCTION ABOUT HUMAN REPRODUCTION AND SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES, INCLUDING HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV)/ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS)

Department and/or Persons Concerned: Principals, Vice Principals, Life Skills Counselors, Family Life Teachers, School Nurses, Science Teachers, Consumer and Family Studies Teachers, Health and Driver Education Teachers.

Due Date: September 8, 2006

Reference: District Procedures No. 4188 and 4189

Action Requested: Review District Procedures No. 4188 and 4189. Send notification letter to parents (see attached) and conduct parent preview.

Brief Explanation:

District Procedures 4188 and 4189 outline administrative regulations and procedures governing family life education, sex education, sexually transmitted disease prevention, and HIV/AIDS prevention education. At the beginning of each school year, or, for a pupil who enrolls in school after the beginning of the school year, at the time of that pupil's enrollment, each school district shall notify the parent/guardian of each pupil about instruction in District required comprehensive sexual health education and HIV/AIDS prevention education and research on pupil health behaviors and risks planned for the coming year. The notice shall include all of the following:

1. Advise the parent/guardian that written and audio-visual educational materials used in comprehensive sexual health education and HIV/AIDS prevention education are available for inspection at the school.
2. Advise the parent/guardian whether the comprehensive sexual health education or HIV/AIDS prevention education will be taught by school district personnel or by outside agencies.
3. Information explaining the parent/guardian's right to request a copy of Senate Bill 71, pertaining to sex education and HIV/AIDS instruction.
4. Advise the parent or guardian that they may request in writing that their child not receive comprehensive sexual health education or HIV/AIDS prevention education.

To facilitate the process of parent review of materials, parent preview meetings are conducted by site staff at the beginning of each school year. Your Life Skills Counselor can assist in scheduling the preview. If you are using a program/materials on sexuality education or HIV/AIDS prevention that is different from the approved District curriculum, material must be approved by the Sex Education Advisory Committee prior to use.

Attached are sample letters (English and Spanish) to parents/guardians that fulfills the above stated legal requirements. Your Life Skills Counselor can assist in revising the letter so that it reflects the specific programs at your site. The letters are also available on the website at www.sandi.net/depts/sex_ed.

If additional information is needed, please contact Bruce Ward at 619-725-7126.

Bruce Ward
Director
Physical Education
Health and Interscholastic Athletics

APPROVED:

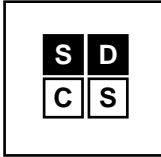
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Geno Flores". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and "F".

Geno Flores
Deputy Superintendent

BW:NV

Attachments

Distribution: Lists B, E, F, and Special



SAN DIEGO CITY SCHOOLS

SAMPLE LETTER FOR GRADE 6 INSERT SCHOOL LETTERHEAD

Date _____

Dear Parents/Guardians:

State law requires that parents/guardians be notified of any school classes providing instruction in sex education and/or sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV/AIDS. In San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD), Family Life Education is required for students in 6th grade. This 10 day program includes information on puberty, reproductive anatomy, sexual harassment, child abuse, refusal skills, sexually transmitted disease and HIV/AIDS. These lessons comply with state education requirements and include:

1. Information on the nature of HIV/AIDS and its effects on the body.
2. Information on the manner in which HIV is and is not transmitted.
3. Discussion of methods to reduce the risk of HIV infection.
4. Development of refusal skills.
5. Discussion of societal views on HIV/AIDS including stereotypes and myths.

To provide you with the opportunity to learn what programs will be offered at this school and to preview instructional materials, a meeting will be held at _____ (school) in Room # _____ on _____ (date) at _____ (time). A staff member will be available to discuss program objectives and answer questions. You may also review a copy of Senate Bill 71, pertaining to HIV/AIDS instruction and sex education on the District website: www.sandi.net/depts/sex_ed.

If you do not want your child to participate in these lessons, please sign and return the form below by _____.

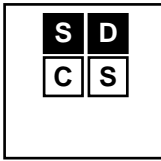
Sincerely,

Principal

Please check below if you do not want your child participating in Family Life Education classes.

_____ No, I do not want my child to have these lessons.

Child's Name _____ Parent's Name _____



SAN DIEGO CITY SCHOOLS

SAMPLE LETTER FOR GRADE 6 INSERT SCHOOL LETTERHEAD

Date _____

Estimados Padres/Tutores:

La ley del estado requiere que se notifique a los padres/tutores sobre cualquier clase que imparta educación sexual y/o las enfermedades que se transmiten sexualmente, incluyendo el VIH/SIDA. En el Distrito Escolar Unificado de San Diego (SDUSD), la educación de la Vida Familiar es un requisito para los alumnos del 6° grado. Este programa de 10 días incluye información sobre la pubertad, la anatomía reproductiva, el hostigamiento sexual, el abuso sexual a los niños, las destrezas para negarse a participar, las enfermedades transmitidas en forma sexual y el VIH/SIDA. Estas lecciones cumplen con los requisitos educativos del estado e incluyen:

1. Información sobre la naturaleza del VIH/SIDA y sus efectos en el cuerpo humano.
2. Información sobre la forma en que se transmite y no se transmite el VIH.
3. Discusión de los métodos para reducir el riesgo de infección del VIH.
4. Aprendizaje de las destrezas para negarse a participar.
5. Discusión de puntos de vista de la sociedad sobre el VIH/SIDA incluyendo estereotipos y mitos.

Para darle oportunidad de enterarse de qué programas se ofrecerán en esta escuela y para ver por adelantado los materiales instructivos, habrá una junta en _____ (school) en el Salón # _____ el día _____ (date) a las _____ (time). Un miembro del personal estará disponible para hablar de los objetivos del programa y para responder a sus preguntas. Puede revisar la copia de la Propuesta de Ley 71 del Senado, pertinente a la instrucción del VIH/SIDA y a la educación sexual en el portal de Internet del distrito: www.sandi.net/depts/sex_ed.

Por favor firme y devuelva el formulario de abajo si no desea que su hijo/hija participe en estas lecciones.

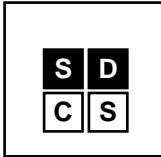
Atentamente

El Director/La Directora

Por favor firme y devuelva el formulario de abajo si no desea que su hijo/hija participe en estas lecciones:

_____ No, no quiero que mi hijo/hija reciba estas lecciones.

Nombre del niño/a _____ Nombre del Padre _____



SAN DIEGO CITY SCHOOLS

SAMPLE LETTER FOR GRADES 8-12 INSERT SCHOOL LETTERHEAD

Date _____

Dear Parents/Guardians:

State law requires that parents/guardians be notified of any school classes providing instruction in sex education and/or sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV/AIDS. In San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD), sexuality education is required in grades 8 and 10 or 11. In addition, students in Grades 8 through 12 receive a minimum of one hour of HIV/AIDS prevention education each school year. The prevention lessons comply with the state education requirements and include:

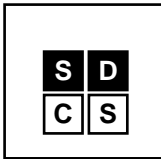
1. Information on the nature of HIV/AIDS and its effects on the body.
2. Information on the manner in which HIV is and is not transmitted, including high-risk behavior.
3. Discussion of methods to reduce the risk of HIV infection.
4. Discussion of public health issues associated with HIV/AIDS.
5. Information on local resources for HIV testing and medical care.
6. Development of refusal skills.
7. Discussion of societal views on HIV/AIDS including stereotypes and myths.

To provide you with the opportunity to learn what programs will be offered at this school and to preview instructional materials, a meeting will be held at _____ (school) in Room # _____ on _____ (date) at _____ (time). A school staff member will be available to discuss program objectives and answer questions. You may also review a copy of Senate Bill 71, pertaining to HIV/AIDS instruction and sex education on the District website: www.sandi.net/depts/sex_ed.

If you **do not want** your student to participate in class sessions where HIV/AIDS prevention or human reproduction is discussed, please notify the school in writing by _____ (date).

Sincerely,

Principal



SAN DIEGO CITY SCHOOLS

SAMPLE LETTER FOR GRADES 8-12 INSERT SCHOOL LETTERHEAD

Date _____

Estimados Padres/Tutores:

La ley del estado requiere se notifique a los padres/tutores sobre cualquier clase en la escuela que imparta educación sexual y/o enfermedades que se transmiten sexualmente, incluyendo el VIH/SIDA. En el Distrito Escolar Unificado de San Diego (SDUSD), la educación sexual es un requisito para los grados 8 y 10 u 11. Además, cada año escolar los alumnos del 8° al 12° grado reciben un mínimo de una hora de educación para prevenir el VIH/SIDA. Las lecciones preventivas cumplen con los requisitos educativos del estado e incluyen:

1. Información sobre la naturaleza del VIH/SIDA y sus efectos en el cuerpo humano.
2. Información sobre la forma en que se transmite y no se transmite el VIH, incluyendo las actividades de gran riesgo.
3. Discusión de los métodos para reducir el riesgo de contraer la infección del VIH.
4. Discusión sobre asuntos de salud pública asociados con el VIH/SIDA.
5. Información de recursos locales para hacerse la prueba del VIH y recibir atención médica.
6. Aprendizaje de destrezas para negarse a participar en actividades de riesgo.
7. Discusión de puntos de vista de la sociedad sobre el VIH/SIDA incluyendo estereotipos y mitos.

Para brindarle oportunidad de saber qué programas se ofrecerán en esta escuela y para que usted pueda revisar de antemano los materiales de instrucción, se ha programado una junta en _____ (school) en el Salón # _____ el día _____ (date) a las _____ (time). Un miembro del personal de SDUSD estará disponible para hablar de los objetivos del programa y responder a sus preguntas. Puede revisar la copia de la Propuesta de Ley 71 del Senado, pertinente a la instrucción del VIH/SIDA y educación sexual en el portal de Internet del distrito: www.sandi.net/depts/sex_ed.

Si usted **no desea** que su hijo/hija participe en las sesiones de clases donde se discuta la prevención del VIH/SIDA y se imparta la educación sexual, por favor notifique por escrito a la escuela a más tardar el _____ (date).

Atentamente

El Director/La Directora

Special list of schools for Site Operations Circular on the *Parental Notification of Instruction About Human Reproduction and Sexually Transmitted Diseases, including Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS))*:

Baker Elementary School	<u>Atypical and Alternative</u>
Balboa Elementary School	ALBA
Birney Elementary School	Connections
Boone Elementary School	Del Sol Academy
Chavez	Garfield High
Chollas/Mead Elementary School	Gompers High
Dingeman	John Muir
Emerson/Bandini Elementary School	Longfellow
Field Elementary School	Mt. Everest Academy
Florence Elementary School	Language Academy
Freese Elementary School	Riley
Grant Elementary School	MET
Hawthorne Elementary School	SCPA
Holmes Elementary School	Trace
Horton Elementary School	Twain
Johnson Elementary School	
Kennedy Elementary School	<u>Charters</u>
Knox Elementary School	A. Phillip Randolph Leadership Academy
Lafayette Elementary School	Albert Einstein Academy
Lee Elementary School	Audeo
Lindbergh/Schweitzer Elementary School	Charter School of San Diego
Macdowell Elementary School	Cortez Hill Academy
McKinley Elementary School	Darnall
Paradise Hills Elementary School	Explorer Elementary
Penn Elementary School	Fanno Academy
Perry Elementary School	Gompers Charter Middle
Porter Elementary School	Harriett Tubman Village
Sequoia Elementary	High Tech High
Washington Elementary School	High Tech Middle
Webster Elementary School	Holly Drive Leadership Academy
Whitman Elementary School	Keiller Leadership Academy
Zamorano Elementary School	King/Chavez Excellence Academy
	KIPP Adelante Prep. Academy
	Learning Choice Academy
	Memorial Academy
	Momentum Middle
	Museum School
	Nubia Leadership Academy
	O'Farrell Community School
	Preuss School UCSD
	Promise Charter
	San Diego Cooperative