

Whole Child Department

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Texas House Bill 1525 requires written parent/guardian consent before a student is provided with human sexuality instruction. Your student is enrolled in a Health Education/CTE class which includes human development instruction. To help guide students along the path to healthy living, Goodheart-Wilcox assembled an award-winning author team to create the most current and comprehensive human development curriculum. Human development instruction includes topics such as human growth and development, the reproductive system, sexually transmitted diseases, contraception, and decisions and responsibilities involved in becoming and being a parent. The consistent message is that abstinence is the only 100% effective method of avoiding STDs. Specific information on the correct use of contraceptive devices will not be provided. The district is confident the information presented to students on this topic is age and grade-level appropriate; however parents have the right to view the curriculum and/or remove their child from this instruction.

Please indicate below if you would prefer for your student to opt in or opt out of the child Human Development instruction. If we do not receive your signed consent on or before October 24th, when the instruction is scheduled to begin, or you indicate that you do not consent, your child will not receive the Human Development instruction. Instead, your child will participate in an alternative instructional activity provided in a separate location on campus, and will not be subject to disciplinary action, academic penalty or other sanction.

If you have any questions please visit our district webpage: <u>www.nisd.net/district/whole-child/health-education</u> or contact Caitlin Bollier, NISD Health Education Specialist at (210) 397-3567 or <u>caitlin.bollier@nisd.net</u>.

Respectfully,

Caitlin Bollier

Whole Child Department Health Education Specialist

Student's Name: _____ S#_____

____ I prefer that my student/son/daughter receive Human Development instruction

____ I prefer that my student/son/daughter does NOT receive Human Development instruction

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Date: Parent's Signature: