



Department of Learning and Teaching

September 2009

Dear Parents/Guardians of 9-12th Grade Students,

The 1988 Washington State Legislature mandated that a HIV/Aids prevention education program be presented annually to students in grades 5-12. The Renton School District has adopted a medically approved HIV/AIDS curriculum.

The parents/guardians of students entering 9th grade will also be able to preview the adopted materials that may be used in the family life curriculum offered in 9th grade Health. The family life unit includes topics such as the reproductive system, pregnancy, sexuality communication techniques and characteristics of a healthy relationship.

In order to assist you in making a decision on your child/children's participation in these programs, an overview of the curriculum will be presented to parents. The presentation will be on **Thursday, October 22, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Kohlwes Education Center Board Room at 300 SW 7th Street, Renton, WA.**

Following the meeting, parents who wish to have their child excused from participation in the HIV/AIDS prevention program may sign a release form. State law provides that a parent or guardian should attend such a meeting before they have their child excused from participation in the HIV/AIDS prevention program.

The family life unit does not need to be viewed before requesting exclusion from the unit. Please complete the form below and return it to your child/children's principal if you prefer that your student/s not participate in the family life unit. This preview is intended for parents/guardians only. If you have any questions, please call your child/children's principal or Susan Lander 425-204-2320.

Robert R. MacGregor
Assistant Superintendent
Department of Learning & Teaching

Susan Lander
Director of Health Education
Department of Learning & Teaching

FOR FAMILY LIFE EXCLUSION ONLY - RETURN TO YOUR CHILD'S PRINCIPAL

I **DO NOT** want my child _____ to participate in the 9th grade family life education.

DATE _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN _____

If you have special needs which require this document to be provided in an alternative format, please contact ADA/504 compliance coordinator at (425) 204-2421.

Launching Learning to Last a Lifetime

300 Southwest 7th Street, Renton, Washington 98057-2307 | p.425.204.2321 | f.425.204.2327

www.rentonschools.us

