

CRANFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Cranford, New Jersey

August 2003

To: Parents/Guardians of Students in Grade 9

From: Cranford Public Schools

This year, as a part of your son and/or daughter's Family Life/HIV/Aids Curriculum, the topics and list of materials which are attached will be covered.

We feel that a comprehensive health curriculum is important to the well being of our youth. Overall knowledge and awareness of critical health issues are important to the health and safety of our young people today.

If you have any questions or concerns about this curriculum please feel free to discuss them with your building principal. A copy of the complete curriculum (K-12) is available in the library of each school.

If any part of this instruction in Family Life Education/HIV/Aids Curriculum is in conflict with your conscience or sincerely held moral or religious beliefs, your child/children may be excused from that portion of the course where such instruction is being given and no penalties as to credit or graduation shall result therefrom (N.J.S.A. 18A:35-4.6, et. seq.)

If you wish to have your child/children excluded please so state below and either mail or send with your child/Children to his/her respective **building principal**.

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Family Life Education/HIV/Aids - Exclusion Request

Only use if you **do not** wish to have your child participate in the course of study.

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Subject Matter to be Excluded: _____

Date

Signature

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The topics that will be covered are as follows:

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| I. | Personality | XI. | Family |
| II. | Teen Pregnancy | XII. | Violence |
| III. | Stress | XIII. | Date Rape |
| IV. | Death and Dying | XIV. | New Areas of Concerns to Teens |
| V. | Suicide | XV. | Friends |
| VI. | Divorce | XVI. | High School Life |
| VII. | Decision Making | XVII. | Police & You |
| VIII. | Values | XVIII. | Feelings |
| IX. | Alcohol/Drug Use and Abuse | XIX. | Perception & Acceptance |
| X. | Communication | XX. | HIV/Aids |

- a. Student will receive information on less risk and safer sex and understand that the HIV infection is preventable.
- b. Student will recognize high, low and no risk behaviors in relation to HIV.
- c. Students will know that AIDS is an infectious disease caused by HIV.
- d. Student will assume responsibility for own health habits and behaviors.
- e. Students will be helped to understand reasons for abstinence.