

1 AN ACT relating to instruction in the prevention of sexually transmitted diseases
2 and related matters.

3 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

4 ➔Section 1. KRS 158.1415 is amended to read as follows:

5 **(1) The Kentucky Board of Education shall promulgate administrative regulations to**
6 **establish a plan for school districts to provide human sexuality education to**
7 **students in grades four (4) through twelve (12).**~~[If a school council or, if none~~
8 ~~exists, the principal adopts a curriculum for human sexuality or sexually transmitted~~
9 ~~diseases, instruction shall include but not be limited to the following content]~~

10 **(2) As used in this section, "human sexuality education" shall include age-**
11 **appropriate information in the following instructional areas:**

12 ~~(a)(1)~~ **The prevention of sexually transmitted diseases including the human**
13 **immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and any other virus linked to the acquired**
14 **immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), chlamydia, syphilis, gonorrhea, and**
15 **relevant types of hepatitis, as well as any other sexually transmitted**
16 **infections, regardless of mode of transmission;**

17 **(b) Personal body safety;**

18 **(c) Human growth and development;**

19 **(d) Human sexuality and development;**

20 **(e) Development of relationship and communication skills necessary to form**
21 **healthy relationships free of violence, coercion, and intimidation; and**

22 **(f) Responsible sexual behavior, including but not limited to:**

23 **1. Self-esteem;**

24 **2. Self-discipline;**

25 **3. That** abstinence from sexual activity is the desirable goal for all school-
26 age children;

27 ~~4.(2)~~ **That** abstinence from sexual activity is the only certain way to

1 avoid unintended pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases, and other
2 associated health problems; and

3 ~~5.1(3)~~ ***That*** the best way to avoid sexually transmitted diseases and other
4 associated health problems is to establish a permanent mutually faithful
5 monogamous relationship.

6 **(3) By July 1, 2020, all local school districts shall have ready for implementation a**
7 **plan approved by the department for providing human sexuality education**
8 **beginning in the 2020-2021 school year, for grades four (4) through twelve (12).**
9 **The plan shall be developed by an advisory committee appointed by the local**
10 **school district superintendent composed of lay persons and professional resource**
11 **personnel in equal numbers. Participants shall include representatives for:**

12 **(a) Teachers;**

13 **(b) School administrators;**

14 **(c) Guidance counselors;**

15 **(d) School nurses;**

16 **(e) Parents;**

17 **(f) Students;**

18 **(g) Parent-teacher organizations;**

19 **(h) Religious groups;**

20 **(i) Civic groups;**

21 **(j) Health or mental health agencies; and**

22 **(k) Appropriate governmental agencies.**

23 **(4) The district plan shall require that:**

24 **(a) Students receive:**

25 **1. The equivalent of one (1) week of instruction in each year of grades**
26 **four (4) and five (5);**

27 **2. The equivalent of three (3) weeks of instruction in each year of grades**

- 1 six (6) through eight (8); and
- 2 3. One (1) semester of instruction in any of the secondary grades, nine
- 3 (9) through twelve (12); and
- 4 (b) In order to graduate from high school, a secondary school student must:
- 5 1. Earn one-half (1/2) credit in human sexuality; or
- 6 2. Score eighty percent (80%) on an assessment developed by the
- 7 department regarding human sexuality.
- 8 (5) Each local school district shall, at least thirty (30) days prior to teaching human
- 9 sexuality in any classroom, make available to the parents and guardians of the
- 10 students involved information concerning the curriculum and materials to be
- 11 used.
- 12 (6) Each local board of education shall establish a procedure whereby any pupil
- 13 whose parent or legal guardian submits a signed statement listing the areas of
- 14 human sexuality education which are in conflict with their moral or religious
- 15 beliefs shall be excused from the requirements of subsection (4) of this section.
- 16 (7) The district plan for human sexuality education shall be approved by the local
- 17 superintendent and local board of education. The department shall review each
- 18 district plan for compliance with administrative regulations promulgated to
- 19 administer the provisions of this section.
- 20 (8) Human sexuality education shall be provided by a certified teacher.
- 21 (9) In-service training shall be conducted by department-approved trainers with
- 22 expertise in the areas of instruction to be taught. Additional resource personnel
- 23 used for local training may be recommended by the local district advisory
- 24 committee and approved according to local policy.