

Dear Parent or Guardian:

October 11, 2010

On October 27th or 28th during science classes, juniors students are required to attend our state mandated Family Life-Sex Education AIDS/STD update unless a parent requests their child not attend. This is a 90-minute program that reinforces information presented in 9th grade Health (there is updated but no new material presented in 11th) with the goal of *“providing information necessary to prevent students from contracting HIV, hepatitis, and other sexually transmitted diseases.”* This year we will also have a brief presentation on dating violence.

As always, abstinence will be the primary focus presented to students, as our school district’s stance is that an abstinence-based approach offers the greatest effectiveness in preventing pregnancies and STD’s. While we stress abstinence as the ONLY way that is 100% effective in preventing STD’s or pregnancies we also briefly discuss contraception and condoms as well as the various ways STD’s can be contracted because we know some students have chosen to become sexually active. Our school nurse will be presenting this information.

Parents may attend a viewing of the presentation on Wednesday, October 20th, from 5-6:30 pm in the DHS Commons. Please feel free to call me at 782-5136 ext #1824 if you have questions about this presentation.

Your approval is required for your son or daughter to attend. Please indicate your preference in the area below, sign, and have your student return the signed bottom part to his or her science teacher no later than Wednesday, October 26th. If your student does not have a science class, he or she can turn it in to the school nurse by the same date.

Students who don’t return this form or do not have permission to attend will spend the time in the classroom working on an alternative assignment. Thank you

Jennifer Ellis, RN
District Chief Nurse

Family Life-Sex Education AIDS/STD Presentation Permission Form

Student’s name (**please print**) _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

____ My child can attend the presentation.

____ My child **cannot** attend this presentation.

