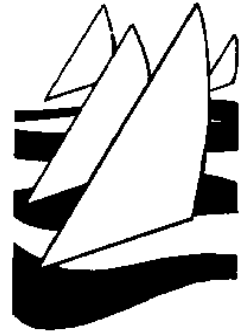


Lakeyde Middle School



January 14, 2010

Dear 7th Grade Parents or Guardians:

The Irvine Unified School District staff believes that parents are the primary providers of family life education for their children. In addition, the Education Code requires that parents be notified in advance of any study that involves the human reproductive system and/or sexually transmitted diseases.

Family life education is studied in your child's health class. Topics include:

1. Adolescent development - the physical, emotional, and social changes of adolescence.
2. Human reproduction - the structure and function of the male and female reproduction system, fertilization and fetal development.
3. Prevention of pregnancy - abstinence and the effectiveness of other methods of contraception.
4. Sexually transmitted diseases (including AIDS) - the cause, transmission, prevention and treatment.

Throughout the entire health course emphasis is placed on decision-making skills and effective communication, which promotes health and well being.

On Tuesday, February 9, 2010 parents may review films and materials to be used in these units. The parent meeting will be in Room #300 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. with Ms. Bourne. (See map on back).

If you **DO NOT** wish your son/daughter to participate in this portion of the class, please complete the lower portion of this letter and return it to Ms. Bourne, your child's health teacher, by February 19, 2010. Ms. Bourne is available on the night above to answer any questions you might have concerning this program.

To further support parents as the primary sex educators of their child, a Home Study Guide is distributed to students who participate in the Family Life Education and Sexually Transmitted Disease units. Parents are encouraged to give their teen the opportunity to complete the activities. These activities are designed to encourage parent and teen interaction and assist teens to cope with and analyze the many messages they receive from the media daily about sex. Feedback from parents who have completed these activities has been extremely positive.

Sincerely,

Gina Cuneo
Principal

Complete and return to the health teacher **ONLY** if the statement applies.

_____ may **NOT** participate in the Family Life Education Unit.
Student's Name

Parent's Name

Date