

Informational Posting

SEX EDUCATION AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

The Academy shall provide instruction in reproductive health and family planning.

"Reproductive Health" shall be defined as that state of an individual's well-being which involves the reproductive system and its physiological, psychological, and endocrinological functions.

In addition, students are to be provided instruction in the recognition, prevention, and treatment of non casual-contact communicable diseases such as venereal diseases, HBV, and HIV; and the use of abstinence from sex as a responsible method for restriction and prevention of non casual-contact communicable disease and as a positive life-style for unmarried young people.

The Board accepts as policy the guidelines entitled "Sex Education Guidelines including Reproductive Health and Family Planning" established by the Michigan Department of Education. A copy shall be available for inspection in the Academy office.

A citizens' advisory committee shall be established in order to ensure the effective participation of parents and community groups in the design and implementation of this program area.

The Academy shall notify the parents, in advance of the instruction and about the content of the instruction, give the parents an opportunity, prior to instruction, to review the materials to be used (other than tests), as well as the opportunity to observe the instruction, and advise the parents of their right to have their child excused from the instruction.

The Administrator shall prepare regulations to implement these recommended guidelines which are to include at least two (2) public hearings on any revisions to any of the curricula described above. Such hearings shall be conducted in compliance with State law.

FERPA STATEMENT

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education.

FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she reaches the age of 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are "eligible students."

- Parents or eligible students have the right to inspect and review the student's education records maintained by the school. Schools are not required to provide copies of records unless, for reasons such as great distance, it is impossible for parents or eligible students to review the records. Schools may charge a fee for copies.
- Parents or eligible students have the right to request that a school correct records which they believe to be inaccurate or misleading. If the school decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student then has the right to a formal hearing. After the hearing, if the school still decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student has the right to place a statement with the record setting forth his or her view about the contested information.
- Generally, schools must have written permission from the parent or eligible student in order to release any information from a student's education record. However, FERPA allows schools to disclose those records, without consent, to the following parties or under the following conditions (34 CFR § 99.31):
 - School officials with legitimate educational interest;
 - Other schools to which a student is transferring;
 - Specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes;
 - Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student;
 - Organizations conducting certain studies for or on behalf of the school;
 - Accrediting organizations;
 - To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena;
 - Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies; and
 - State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific State law.

Schools may disclose, without consent, "directory" information such as a student's name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, honors and awards, and dates of attendance. However, schools must tell parents and eligible students about directory information and allow parents and eligible students a reasonable amount of time to request that the school not disclose directory information about them. Schools must notify parents and eligible students annually of their rights under FERPA. The actual means of notification (special letter, inclusion in a FACT bulletin, student handbook, or newspaper article) is left to the discretion of each school.

For additional information you may call (734)379-9766.

Asbestos Free

We are required yearly to notify our parents that Summit academy schools are asbestos free. An Asbestos Management Plan is on site at all of our buildings, which clarifies that our schools contain no asbestos building materials. These plans are available for your review.

Non Discrimination

Summit Academy Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender/sex, age, religion, disability, height, weight, or marital status, in it's programs, services or activities. Any inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policy should be directed to :

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Pesticides

This is to inform parents/guardians that from time to time Summit Academy Schools may have a licensed applicator apply pesticides and herbicides. We will strive to complete this task on weekends to avoid having students present during the application. Please notify the district if you desire to be notified when the school district applies pesticides and herbicides.