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Parents/guardians may request to excuse their child from specific instruction that substantially interferes with the religious development of their child as per Board Policy 6142.2. In order to be considered for an opt-out, parents must provide all of the following information:

1. Identify the specific instructional content which you seek to opt your child out of.
2. State the specific religious belief(s), custom(s), and/or practice(s) with which the specific instructional content may substantially interfere.
3. Identify how the specific instructional content substantially interferes with the specific belief(s), custom(s), and/or practice(s), including any grade level or individual student characteristics relevant to the opt-out request.

Parents/guardians have the right to review curriculum materials before making this request, as outlined in Education Code §§ 51101 and 51938. To support an informed decision, curriculum materials are available upon request from the school site.

A student shall not be subject to disciplinary action, academic penalty, or other sanction if the student's parent/guardian declines to permit the student to receive the instruction. Students who are excused from instruction shall be given an alternative educational activity.

Please complete the information below if you are requesting to opt-out of instruction based on Religious Based-Beliefs. Please note that not all opt-out requests will be granted if it is determined that the identified instructional content does not substantially interfere with a child's religious development.

Parent/Guardian Name_____

Student Name_____

School_____ Grade_____ Teacher_____

Middle/High School Class(es)_____

Please describe the specific curriculum content, book, topic, lesson or material from which you are requesting your child be excused:



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Please state your specific religious belief(s), custom(s), and/or practice(s) with which the above instructional content substantially interferes:

Please identify how the above instructional content substantially interferes with the above belief(s), custom(s), and/or practice(s):

I, _____, affirm that the above statements are true and correct. I understand that a parent meeting with administration may be required to discuss the request prior to any decision granting or denying my request. I understand that the District will review this request in accordance with applicable federal and state laws, relevant District policies and curricular requirements.

Parent/Guardian Signature_____ Date_____



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