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## Instructional Materials Curriculum Objection Process

A parent/guardian who believes that any curriculum, instructional materials or program violates rights guaranteed by any law or Board Policy may complete and submit this Curriculum Objection Form and submit it to the building principal who will submit it to the District curriculum director.

As set forth in Board Policy 6:260, objections to curriculum, instructional materials, or programs may be based on one of the “opt-out” provisions within the School Code, or a student’s right to a free exercise of religion as provided by the First Amendment to the Constitution. Parents/guardians who are seeking an exemption based on an “opt-out” provision should complete the Curriculum Opt-Out form.

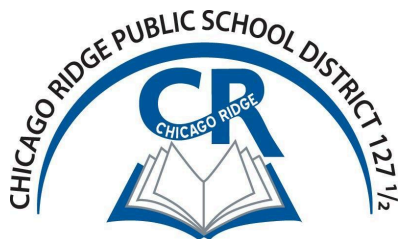
Parents/guardians should submit this form to their child’s building principal. Upon review of the form, a conversation will be had with the parent/guardian regarding their request. After this discussion, determination will be made about the request for exemption from the instructional materials or program which is the basis of the objection. The parent/guardian requesting the exemption will be noticed via letter regarding the District’s decision to grant or deny the request.

If the parent/guardian is not satisfied with the decision determined by the building principal in collaboration with the parent/guardian and curriculum director, he/she may file a grievance under the District’s “Uniform Grievance Procedure”, Board Policy 6:260.

Chicago Ridge School District 127.5 Policy as of 12/6/2022

Parents/guardians have the right to inspect any instructional material used as part of their child’s educational curriculum pursuant to School Board policy [7:15](#), *Student and Family Privacy Rights*.

Persons who believe that curriculum, instructional materials, or programs violate rights guaranteed by any law or Board policy should file a complaint using Board policy [2:260](#), *Uniform Grievance Procedure*. Persons with all other suggestions or complaints about curriculum, instructional materials, or programs should complete a *Curriculum Objection* form. A parent/guardian may request that his/her child be exempt from using a particular instructional material or program by completing a *Curriculum Objection* form and turning it in to their child’s building principal.



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## Curriculum Objection Form

Parent/Guardian (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Course Name/Number \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_

### Instructional Materials in Question

Please state, as precisely as possible, the specific curriculum area, instructional materials, lesson or program to which you object (include where applicable title/author/publisher or instructional materials, unit of student, lesson).

How did you become aware of the curriculum area, instructional materials or program?

\_\_\_\_\_ by classroom observation

\_\_\_\_\_ by word-of-mouth

\_\_\_\_\_ by review

\_\_\_\_\_ other (please specify \_\_\_\_\_)

The Illinois School Code permits parents to object to curriculum and instructional materials under the following exemptions. If the objection to the instructional materials fits into one of these provisions, please indicate by checking below:

\_\_\_\_\_ Dissection of Animals\*, 105 ILCS 112/1 et.seq

\_\_\_\_\_ Comprehensive Personal Health and Safety Education and Comprehensive Sexual Health Education\*, 105 ILCS 5/27-9.1a(d)

\_\_\_\_\_ Recognizing and Avoiding Sexual Abuse\*, 105 ILCS 5/27-13.2 (K-8 only)

\_\_\_\_\_ Instruction related to Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)\*, 105 ILCS 110/3

\_\_\_\_\_ Instruction on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and use of Automated External Defibrillators\* (AEDs), 105 ILCS 110/3

\_\_\_\_\_ Organ/tissue and blood donation\*, 105 ILCS 5/27-23.5

\_\_\_\_\_ Lockdown drills\*\*, 105 ILCS 128/20

\*Students who are granted an exemption based on “opt-put” related to the above mentioned may be required to complete an alternative project. Such alternative project/assignment will be of similar length and difficulty. Students who complete the alternative project/assignment will be graded in a manner similar to students using the original material.

\*\*Students who are granted exemptions from participation in lockdown drills will be provided with an alternative curriculum to address safety concerns related to active threat or active shooter events.

What would you like the District to do about this curriculum, instructional material, or program?

- ☐ Consider withdrawing it from the District’s educational program.
- ☐ Refer it to the District committee for evaluation.
- ☐ Exclude your child from participation if this request is approved

In place of participation in the curriculum area, what course of study would you recommend for your child if this request is approved?

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### Objections Based on Religious Grounds

If your objection to curriculum or instructional materials is based upon your religious beliefs, please state the specific belief that forms the basis of your request for your exemption and how the specific curriculum area, instructional material, or program places a burden on your religious beliefs.

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Paren/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

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#### FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT USE

Exemption: \_\_\_\_ Granted \_\_\_\_ Denied      Date of determination \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of teacher notification \_\_\_\_\_

Review by \_\_\_\_\_ Parent notified of determine via: phone/email/mail