



Family Life Education Opt-Out Form Grade 8

Each year, Montgomery County Public Schools provides instruction in Family Life Education (FLE) for students in grades 3-10.

MCPS has developed a local curriculum plan using the [FLE Standards of Learning objectives approved by the Board of Education](#) as a reference and ensures that it is consistent with the guidelines set forth in section [§22.1-207.1](#) and curriculum components identified in section [§22.1-207.1:1](#) of the Code of Virginia. The local curriculum plan (approved by the MCPS School Board in 2017) provides age-appropriate, medically-accurate instruction in relation to students' developmental stages and abilities that is comprehensive and sequential.

In compliance with the Board of Education's guidelines for Family Life Education, this curriculum is offered as an "opt-out" program. **Parents/Guardians may choose to opt their child out of any or all of FLE lessons at any grade level.** All students will be included in the program unless their parent/guardian has requested they opt-out using the form linked below. Students who opt-out of the program are to be given an alternate health-related topic that is meaningful to the child and relevant to the overall health curriculum.

Please return the bottom portion of this notice to the school **ONLY IF YOU WISH TO OPT-OUT YOUR CHILD** from all or part of the Family Life lessons taught at this grade level.

I **DO NOT** want my child to participate in the Family Life lessons for this grade level indicated below (please check all that apply):

- ☐ **FLE Standard 8.1** - The student will relate stages of human development to his or her own developmental level.
- ☐ **FLE Standard 8.10** - The student will analyze the issues related to teenage pregnancy.
- ☐ **FLE Standard 8.11** - The student will review facts about pregnancy prevention and disease control.
- ☐ **FLE Standard 8.14** - The student will recall the ways in which the HIV virus is transmitted and prevented.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Name of your child's teacher: _____ **Grade:** _____

Parents who wish to review the FLE curriculum materials may arrange to view these materials at their child's with the principal or at the School Board Office with the administrator responsible school for the Family Life curriculum.

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