Dear Parent/Guardian.

The Classical Academies are committed to partnering with parents in the education of their children. The California Healthy Youth Act (CHYA) requires that comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education be provided to students at least once in middle school and once in high school. To meet this requirement The Classical Academies utilizes *Positive Prevention Plus* independent study curriculum. This allows this requirement to be met at home putting parents at the center of these topics.

Overview

- The Positive Prevention Plus online independent study curriculum will be offered in April of 2023 for students in *grades 9*.
- The curriculum will **not** be taught on campus. It will be completed under the supervision
 of each student's parent or guardian, with support available from fully trained team
 members on campus.
- Although program participation is mandatory, parents may elect to opt-out of participating.

Parent Information Sessions

- There will be *optional* information sessions for parents of current 9th graders, where parents can preview the content and ask questions of the site team.
- These informational sessions will be held in person on campus at CAHS:
 - The review will be held on Monday, February 13th, with Brian Duyst and Angie Winkler, the School Counselors, from 8-9 AM in Room 111. If you are unable to attend office hours, a review of the information presented will be available in Schoology.
- You may also choose to preview the curriculum on your own at the <u>PPP website</u>.

Opting Out of the Positive Prevention Plus Curriculum

- Although the program is state mandated for students to complete, parents who wish to excuse their student from participation may opt-out.
- If you would like to **opt-out** your current 9th grade student(s) of the mandatory program, please fill out the opt out form here, no later than February 27th, 2023.
- We deeply value our partnership with parents and believe that the Positive Prevention
 Plus independent study curriculum with direct parent involvement is the best choice for
 our students.

If you have questions about this program, please email our counselor Ms. Angie at arwinkler@classicalacademy.com

Sincerely, The CAHS School Counselors