

LET'S TALK ABOUT

sexual health

OAK HARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*K-12 Public Education*

# **OUR WHY**

Our commitment is to prepare each and every student to be safe, informed, and ready to engage in healthy relationships. We promote open communication between students and families related to sexual health and honor individual family values.

We employ developmentally appropriate, medically accurate information within our curricula and are responsive and respectful to student questions and needs.

# **SENATE BILL 5395**

In 2020, the Washington State Legislature passed Senate Bill 5395, requiring schools to provide comprehensive sexual health education beginning in grade 4 or 5 and to teach Social Emotional Learning in Grades K-3.

# No new curricula was introduced in OHPS due to Senate Bill 5395.

Our sexual health curricula was adopted in alignment with *School Board Policy & Procedure 2020* and State Law. Sexual health curricula was adopted in 2005 (**Great Body Shop**); 2014 (**KNOW**); 2017 (**FLASH**).

\*Social Emotional Learning Curriculum was adopted in Spring 2020. The curriculum review team work began in 2018.

# WHAT IS TAUGHT & WHEN?



**T&L Hub**

**K - 4**

*Character Strong*





# Character Strong

Courage

Kindness

Respect

Empathy

Perseverance

Responsibility

Gratitude

Cooperation

Honesty

Creativity

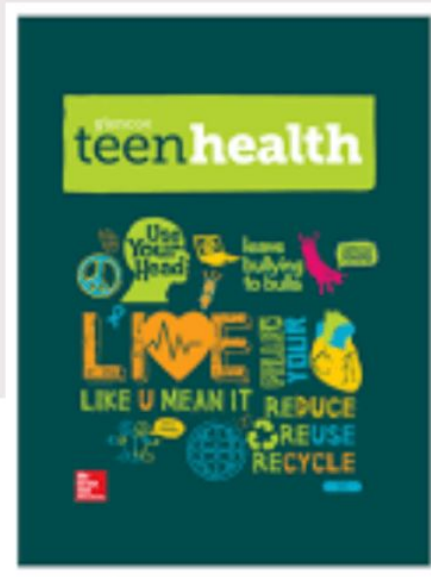
# Grade 5

# KNOW

**HIV/STD PREVENTION  
CURRICULUM**



# Grade 7

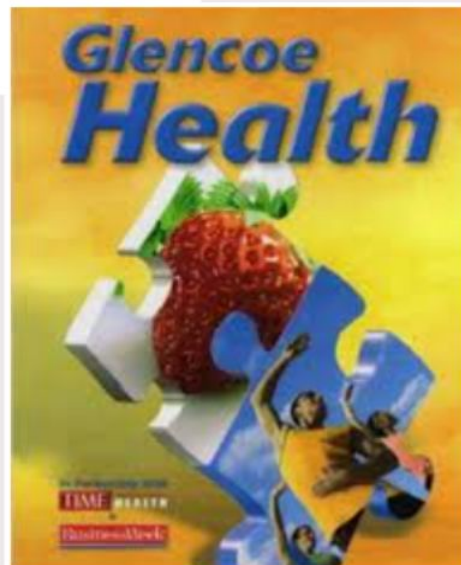


Comprehensive Sexuality Education Curriculum

# Grade 9



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# Other Information

**HIV/AIDS lesson(s)** are taught every year, beginning in grade 5.

**OHPS is aligned to Erin's Law (SHB 1539, 2018):**

- In the primary grades, the focus is on safe touch.
- In the secondary grades, the focus is on consent, online safety and sexual violence prevention, sexual harassment, sexual abuse, and dating violence.

# **EXAMPLE: Erin's Law Lesson**

## **9th Grade FLASH Lesson 8 Key Concepts**

- Everyone has the right to say who touches their body and how.
- It is never okay to touch someone else if they don't want you to, or to make them touch you.
- There are laws about sex that everyone must follow.
- Permission or agreement is required to engage in all sexual activity.

# Myth

1

Parents do not have the right to preview the curriculum or opt out.

2

Masturbation is taught beginning in kindergarten.

# Fact

1

Parents/Guardians can opt out of planned instruction in comprehensive sexual health and that decision is honored by OHPS.

2

This is incorrect. Kindergarten curriculum includes social emotional learning and safe touch only. Masturbation is not taught in any grade level.

# Myth

3

Our curriculum promotes transgender and LGBTQ topics.

4

Senate Bill 5395 required OHPS to make changes in our sexual health curriculum.

# Fact

3

The law says instruction must be inclusive of all students. Lessons focus on identity, understanding, and respect.

4

No. The curriculum in OHPS did not change. We were already providing a comprehensive sexual health curriculum and in process of adopting a social emotional learning curriculum.



# Myth

5

Illustrations and descriptions of sexual positions are taught.

6

Sexual education encourages students to have sex.

# Fact

5

No. Images showing sexual positions would never be used nor are students provided with how-to instruction related to sex.

6

Research on on comprehensive sexual health education shows just the opposite.

# Thank you for listening!

## **Question Box Q & A**

Additional Questions, Input, or  
Requests for Follow-Up

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