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Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

A New Jersey State Mandate enacted in 1983 requires the teaching of Family Living (Human Development) in all school districts each year. We are providing an outline of the Family Living component of our Health Education Curriculum for grades 6, 7, 8, 9 and 11. A copy of the complete guide and all instructional materials are available in each school. If you are interested in reviewing these materials, please contact the principal to make the necessary arrangements.

We believe that this is a valuable program with a distinct benefit to the education of all students. However, if moral or religious beliefs cause you to feel otherwise, you may submit a signed statement to your school principal. Your child will then be excused from that portion of the course without loss of credit or grade. No child will be excused from the entire course. Please understand that if you choose to exempt your son or daughter from one or more units of the Family Living Curriculum, the student will be given an alternate assignment so he/she can still receive full credit for the course.

Sincerely,

J. Scott Cascone, Ed. D.

Superintendent