

“A-K” Requirements in District Sex Education Curriculum

By law, Michigan school districts that offer sex education must ensure *that material and instruction in the sex education curriculum under section 1507 that discusses sex shall be age-appropriate, shall not be medically inaccurate, and shall do at least all of the following* [380.1507b(2)]. This chart helps districts assess the level(s) when it is age appropriate to address each of the “A-K” components and whether each of those components are currently addressed in the curriculum.

Component		Upper Elementary		Middle School		High School	
		Age Approp.	Addressed	Age Approp.	Addressed	Age Approp.	Addressed
A	Discuss the benefits of abstaining from sex until marriage and the benefits of ceasing sex if a pupil is sexually active.						
B	Include a discussion of the possible emotional, economic, and legal consequences of sex.						
C	Stress that unplanned pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases are serious possibilities of sex that are not fully preventable except by abstinence.						
D	Advise pupils of the laws pertaining to their responsibility as parents to children born in and out of wedlock.						
E	Ensure that pupils are not taught in a way that condones the violation of laws of this state pertaining to sexuality, including, but not limited to, those relating to sodomy, indecent exposure, gross indecency, and criminal sexual conduct in the first, second, third, and fourth degrees (MCL 750.158, 750.335a, 750.338, 750.338a, 750.338b, and 750.520b to 750.520e).						

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F	Teach pupils how to say "no" to sexual advances and that it is wrong to take advantage of, harass, or exploit another person sexually.						
G	Teach refusal skills and encourage pupils to resist pressure to engage in risky behavior.						
H	Teach that the pupil has the power to control personal behavior. Pupils shall be taught to base their actions on reasoning, self-discipline, a sense of responsibility, self-control, and ethical considerations such as respect for self and others.						
I	Provide instruction on healthy dating relationships and on how to set limits and recognize a dangerous environment.						
J	Provide information for pupils about how young parents can learn more about adoption services and about the provisions of the safe delivery of newborns law, chapter XII of the probate code of 1939, 1939 PA 288, MCL 712.1 to 712.20.						
K	Include information clearly informing pupils that having sex or sexual contact with an individual under the age of 16 is a crime punishable by imprisonment and that 1 of the other results of being convicted of this crime is to be listed on the sex offender registry on the internet for up to 25 years.						