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Introduction

This resource guide was developed to help Michigan schools identify reproductive health resources that can be considered for use with students in grades 4, 5, and 6. It has been significantly expanded from the previous version, *Sex Education Resource Guide for Grades 4, 5, and 6*, released in 1996. It has been particularly challenging for many school districts to identify age-appropriate and effective reproductive health curricula for this age group. As a result, many districts have tried to locate resources and put together their own programs.

The following information has been included in this guide:

- Background information to assist in program development.
- Annotated checklists for reproductive health resources.
- Appendices containing helpful handouts, tools, and contacts.

Reasons to Teach Reproductive Health in Upper Elementary Grades

Given the challenges of obtaining an effective reproductive health curriculum, it would be easier to simply omit any reproductive health for students in this age group, but the reasons for persisting are compelling:

- ◆ Ten percent of middle school students have had sexual intercourse. (*Journal of School Health*, Jan. 2001, Vol. 71, No. 1, pp 30-37)
- Twelve percent of Michigan ninth graders had their first sexual intercourse prior to age 13. (1999 MI-YRBS)
- Thirty-two percent of Michigan ninth graders say they have never talked with their parents or other adults in their family about what they expect them to do or not do when it comes to sex. (1999 MI-YRBS)
- ♦ By ninth grade, nine percent of Michigan students state they have been forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to. (1999 MI-YRBS)

Children are starting puberty at younger ages than ever before. By entering puberty earlier, they are capable of reproduction, but are not emotionally mature or financially stable enough to parent. The average age of marriage is now later, about 26 for females and 28 for males in Michigan (Michigan Department of Community Health, 1998). Young people, now more than ever, must manage sexual feelings for many years before they are in a committed, adult relationship, such as marriage.

Our young people are inundated with sexual messages. Sex is frequently portrayed as a consequence-free norm for young people. Children are learning about sex from television, movies, and music. Many of these sources spread misinformation but children often lack the media literacy skills to analyze the reliability of the source. These societal and media messages must be balanced with reliable, respectful, and responsible messages from adults who care about young people and want them to be healthy.

Whether we like it or not, our children are learning about sex. Parents should be the primary sex educators of their children. Schools can strengthen that education by teaching information and skills to help young people successfully navigate their way through puberty and into adulthood.

Prevention of early sexual intercourse is more likely if young people receive information and skill building prior to the onset of sexual activity. Several studies in peer-reviewed journals indicate that students who participate in effective sex education programs are more likely to postpone sexual intercourse than students who have not (*Emerging Answers*, Kirby, 2001). This means that sex education should begin in elementary school if it is to be as effective as possible.

Parent surveys have shown that the majority of Michigan parents want their children to receive sex education in school, from upper elementary grades through high school. Local districts are able to identify how many parents are supportive of sex education and which topics they want taught at various grades by conducting their own surveys. A sample parent survey has been provided in **Appendix A** for schools that want to survey parents in their own communities.

Legal Issues in Sex Education

Michigan law allows sex education to be taught in public schools according to strict criteria. The laws are intended to ensure local choice so that each district's sex education program reflects the values of the community. See **Appendix B** for a brief summary of these laws.

The Michigan school code uses the term "sex education" to describe the broader program and the term "reproductive health" to describe instruction that specifically relates to health issues related to reproduction and the reproductive system. This document uses both terms, but does not mean to imply that the best programs only refer to reproduction. Many more thorough programs will go beyond reproductive health to also include relationship skills and additional topics that help students make healthy decisions related to sexuality.

The law requires schools that teach sex education to have a qualified sex education supervisor and a sex education advisory committee:

- ◆ The sex education supervisor oversees the school's program and convenes the sex education advisory committee. See **Appendix C** for a checklist to help the supervisor guide the work of the committee.
- ◆ The district's sex education advisory committee reviews and recommends resources, curricula, and methods for teaching sex education. The membership of the committee must represent a cross-section of the community and is required to include parents, educators, students, clergy, and medical personnel. Once the advisory committee has recommended a program, it must go through two public hearings, and then, it is brought to the local school board for adoption.

Prior to the teaching of the reproductive health lessons, parents must be notified of their rights:

- Preview the program.
- Observe the classes.
- ◆ Opt their child(ren) out of the classes without penalty. A sample "Notification to Parents/Guardians" letter has been provided in **Appendix D**.

Michigan law requires school districts to notify parents of their right to exclude, or "opt out," their child(ren) from sex education. Some districts decide to go beyond their legal requirement by requiring an "opt in." This means that a parent or guardian must sign a permission slip before the student may participate in sex education classes. This method provides documentation that each parent or guardian has seen the letter of notification.

The sample letter provided in **Appendix D** does not include the topic of child sexual abuse prevention or sexual harassment. Most districts consider these to be safety issues, rather than sex education. It is good practice to notify parents about sexual abuse lessons; however, if a school district includes these issues in their definition of sex education, it allows parents to exclude children from topics that they need to hear in order to avoid dangerous situations.

Planning a Reproductive Health Program

Once an advisory committee is convened, it is important for the group to lay some groundwork prior to beginning their review of resources:

- Make introductions of all members.
- Explain the role of the advisory committee upon ground rules for the meetings.
- Develop a mission statement for the group.
- Define sex education.
- ♦ Identify exit outcomes that list what students should know and be able to do when they leave elementary, middle school, and high school.

Once this preliminary work is done, the group will be able to work together more productively and will have clear criteria for selecting reproductive health resources. If a resource is not compatible with the exit outcomes, it can be eliminated from consideration. For additional guidance in laying this groundwork, a helpful resource is *Implementing and Evaluating Sex and HIV/AIDS Education in Michigan Schools* by L. Bensley and R. Bensley.

As the committee identifies the exit outcomes for each level, it might be helpful to have a sample scope and sequence chart for kindergarten through twelfth grade. For example, the American School Health Association (ASHA) and Sex Information and Education Council of the United States (SIECUS) both have a scope and sequence for comprehensive sex education. Other organizations and publications also offer guidelines for planning. A list of suggested topics and concepts for grades 4-6 from ASHA has been provided in **Appendix E**.

Four factors have been identified as being helpful in affecting decisions made by committees as they identify exit outcomes and select resources. To evaluate curricula, ask these key questions:

- ◆ Is the curriculum meeting the **needs of your students**?
- Is the curriculum consistent with **community standards**?
- ♦ Is the curriculum consistent with **state law**?
- Is the curriculum consistent with research and best practice?

Contact your regional Comprehensive School Health Coordinator for an *HIV/STD* and *Sexuality Education Curriculum Evaluation Tool* (2001) that will help districts evaluate programs based on these four criteria. **Appendix F** identifies the coordinator for each county in Michigan.

Selection Criteria

Checklists for videos, print materials, and curriculum were developed with input from health educators. The checklists include information that Sex Education Advisory Committees can use to decide which resources they would like to review for possible use. Blank checklists are provided for future committee work in **Appendices G, H, and I**.

Resources were acquired by conducting an extensive search of companies and organizations that produce books, videos, pamphlets, models, and curriculum. They are included in this guide if they might be considered appropriate for use in upper elementary and do not have many weaknesses as identified on the checklists. Inclusion in this guide should not necessarily be considered an endorsement. Ultimately, these decisions must be made at the local level.

This guide is not exhaustive, however. Some resources may not have been included because they were not identified during the search. Other resources were not included because they were not appropriate for students in grades 4, 5, or 6, or their parents and teachers. A resource was not included if it had more than one or two of the following weaknesses:

- Costs more than average
- ♦ Contains inaccurate information
- Portrays subject matter insensitively
- Lacks cultural diversity
- Models negative behavior
- ◆ Displays outdated styles, music, or items
- ♦ Has poor technical quality
- Stereotypes people

Classroom Implementation Tips

Effective reproductive health requires teachers to be comfortable with the topic and confident in their use of effective instruction strategies. Teacher comfort and confidence can be increased through staff development that provides sex educators the opportunity to learn and practice skills, such as leading discussions, answering questions, using cooperative learning, and role playing. Teachers also benefit from training on how to manage sensitive situations that could cause a negative reaction if they are not handled well.

To locate staff development opportunities for reproductive health education, contact your regional Comprehensive School Health Coordinator. The list of coordinators is included as **Appendix F**.

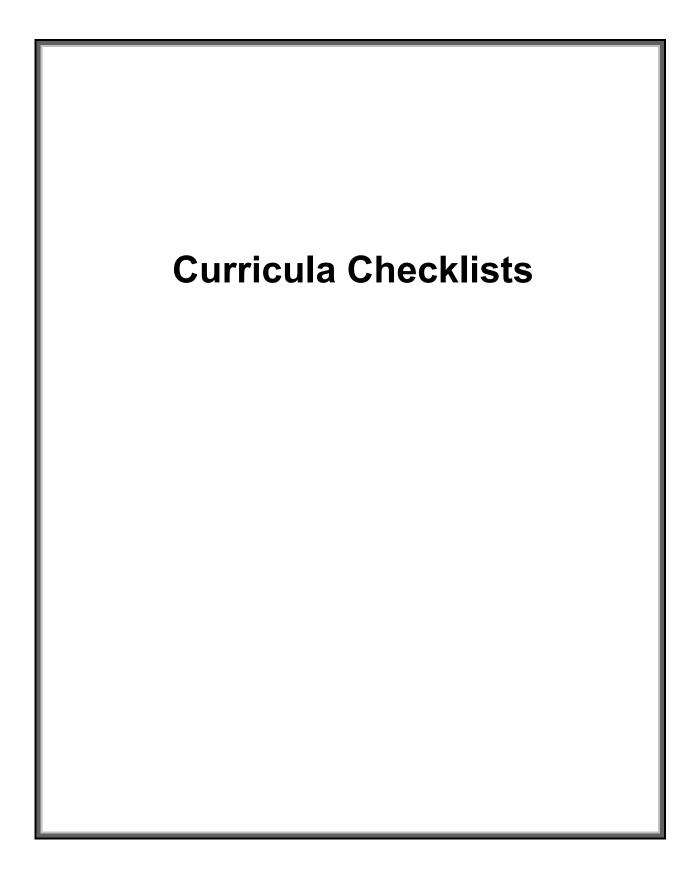
Another implementation issue facing schools is whether to conduct reproductive health classes in coed groups or single-gender groups. There are pros and cons for each approach. Typically, younger students feel less self-conscious and are more willing to ask questions when they are in single-gender groups. However, coed classes provide an opportunity to hear the perspective of the other gender and to practice communication and refusal skills in a more realistic environment. It is probably ideal to conduct part of the reproductive health program in single-gender groups and part in coed groups.

Three additional resources have been included to help teachers of reproductive health and Sex Education Advisory Committees:

- ◆ Appendix J: "Answering Student Questions" provides tips for dealing with students' questions and comments.
- ◆ Appendix K: "Guest Speaker Guidelines" tells how to maximize the educational experience when a guest does a classroom presentation.
- ♦ **Appendix L**: "Additional Video Classics" includes brief summaries of three additional videos that were included in previous versions of the resource guide.

Resource Checklists and Synopses:

- Curricula Checklists
- Print Materials Checklists
 - Video Checklists
 - Vendor Contact List



Can We Talk? by NEA-HIN National Education Association-Health Information Network 1999 4 lessons **Synopsis** This parent education curriculum includes three components: a facilitator guide, a parent workbook for each participant to keep, and a video with brief cartoon vignettes that introduce each 90-minute lesson. The program is clearly laid out for ease of implementation. It focuses on encouraging family communication. **Teaching Strategies** Anonymous question box ☐ Cooperative learning—small ☐ Peer helper/educator Audiovisual materials groups component ☐ Ground rules Skills practice and rehearsal Case studies/scenarios Journals or story writing Student worksheets ☐ Community Large-group discussion speakers/involvement Teacher lecture **Major Topics** Skills Taught **Explained** <u>Practiced</u> ☐ Abstinence ☐ Assertiveness Anatomy and function of reproductive system ☐ Female Communication ☐ Male ☐ Changes during puberty ☐ Decision making ☐ Goal setting ☐ Female ☐ Male ☐ HIV/AIDS ☐ Other STDs Media literacy ☐ Hygiene ☐ Negotiation Peer pressure Personal limit ☐ Pregnancy & fetal development setting Refusal Relationships Family Friends ☐ Romantic Seeking help ☐ Sexual intercourse for reproduction None Social and media influences Strengths Weaknesses Is age appropriate Addresses subject matter insensitively ■ Is visually appealing ☐ Appears outdated Is user-friendly ☐ Costs more than \$100 ☐ Practices positive behavior ☐ Contains inaccurate information ☐ Produced since 1998 or later ☐ Has poor production quality Promotes family involvement Lacks cultural diversity ☐ Utilizes effective instructional strategies ☐ Practices negative behavior ☐ Other: Stereotypes people **Sensitive Topics** Target Audience Parents ☐ Abortion ☐ Students: ☐ Boys ☐ Condoms Grade 4 Educators ☐ Girls ☐ Masturbation ☐ Grade 5 ☐ Sexual orientation Grade 6 Sexual behavior (not for reproduction) Comments

The lessons could be enhanced by having participants practice the skills instead of merely discussing them.

Growing Up and Learning to Feel Good About Yourself

by B. Petrich-Kelly & K. Rohm								
Planned Parenthood of Santa Barbara 8 lessons 1992								
	opsis	_						
This bilingual curriculum is in English and Spanish versions. It addresses sexual body systems, common puberty dilemmas, and problem-solving strategies to lay the foundation for a positive view of sexuality. The first six lessons are on puberty, relationships, and problem solving. There are two additional lessons: one on HIV and one on sexual abuse prevention. A parent interview is included.								
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Com	ments							
Comments The curriculum guide provides background information for teachers but the lesson directions are not always clear. Students are asked to role play situations that could cause embarrassment or place students in negative roles. Uses Magic Johnson as an example in the AIDS lesson.								

	Puberty and Menstrual Health								
	Tampax			10 lesson	ns	unknown			
mak	Synopsis This online teaching guide is available at www.bodymatters.com/teachers/guide1html as a service of the makers of Tampax. It includes ten activity sheets, a few reference sheets for teachers, and a sample parent letter that can be printed off. Teaching Strategies								
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The	The most recently published resource included is dated 1990. The use of these lessons advertises Tampax.								

Puberty: The Wonder Years by W.L. Sellers **Educational Materials Center** 20 lessons 2002 **Synopsis** This curriculum includes six lessons per year for three years, plus two optional lessons. Lessons are 45 or 50 minutes long. The lessons focus on promoting respect for self and others through puberty and equipping young people to postpone sexual activity. Students learn about the changes they will experience and practice skills they need to communicate effectively with parents and peers, interpret media messages, and refuse pressure situations. **Teaching Strategies** Anonymous question box Cooperative learning—small ☐ Peer helper/educator Audiovisual materials groups component Ground rules Skills practice and rehearsal Case studies/scenarios ☐ Community Student worksheets Journals or story writing speakers/involvement Large-group discussion Teacher lecture **Major Topics Skills Taught** Explained Abstinence Practiced ☐ Assertiveness Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female Male Communication ☐ Decision making Changes during puberty Female ☐ Goal setting Male ☐ HIV/AIDS ☐ Other STDs Media literacy Hygiene Negotiation ☐ Peer pressure ☐ Personal limit Pregnancy & fetal development setting Relationships Refusal Family Friends □ Romantic Seeking help Sexual intercourse for reproduction Other: Identifying Social and media influences trouble Strengths Weaknesses Is age appropriate ☐ Addresses subject matter insensitively ■ Is visually appealing ☐ Appears outdated ■ Is user-friendly Costs more than \$100 ☐ Practices positive behavior ☐ Contains inaccurate information Produced since 1998 or later Has poor production quality Promotes family involvement ☐ Lacks cultural diversity Utilizes effective instructional strategies ☐ Practices negative behavior ☐ Other: Stereotypes people **Sensitive Topics Target Audience** Parents ☐ Abortion Students: Boys ☐ Condoms Grade 4 Educators Girls Grade 5 ☐ Masturbation Grade 6 ☐ Sexual orientation ☐ Sexual behavior (not for reproduction) **Comments**

This curriculum encourages young people to postpone sexual intercourse and parenthood until they are adults and preferably married. Correlations to Core Academic Benchmarks, National Standards for Health Education, and Developmental Assets are included.

Sex Can Wait: An Upper Elementary Program by ETR Associates **ETR Associates** 23 lessons 1994 **Synopsis** This curriculum includes six units, focusing on self-esteem, values, communication, changes in puberty, and goal setting. **Teaching Strategies** ☐ Peer helper/educator Anonymous question box Cooperative learning—small ☐ Audiovisual materials groups component Ground rules Skills practice and rehearsal Case studies/scenarios Journals or story writing Student worksheets ☐ Community speakers/involvement Large-group discussion Teacher lecture **Major Topics** Skills Taught Explained Practiced Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system Assertiveness Female Male Communication Changes during puberty Decision making Goal setting Female Male HIV/AIDS Other STDs Media literacy ☐ Hygiene Negotiation Personal limit ☐ Peer pressure setting ☐ Pregnancy & fetal development Refusal Relationships Seeking help ☐ Family ☐ Friends ☐ Romantic None ☐ Sexual intercourse for reproduction ☐ Social and media influences Strengths Weaknesses Is age appropriate Addresses subject matter insensitively ☐ Is visually appealing Appears outdated ☐ Is user-friendly ☐ Costs more than \$100 ☐ Practices positive behavior Contains inaccurate information ☐ Has poor production quality ☐ Produced since 1998 or later Promotes family involvement Lacks cultural diversity Utilizes effective instructional strategies Practices negative behavior Other: Stereotypes people **Sensitive Topics Target Audience** Students: ☐ Abortion ☐ Parents Boys Grade 4 ☐ Educators ☐ Condoms Girls Grade 5 ☐ Masturbation Grade 6 ☐ Sexual orientation Sexual behavior (not for reproduction) **Comments** This curriculum includes some outdated terminology, and the most recent reference materials listed for parents are dated 1990. It does not discuss nocturnal emissions, except in the Q & A game, and it does not include external female genitalia.



Before She Gets Her Period:

Talking With Your Daughter About Menstruation by J. Gillooly							
Perspective Publishing	164 pages 1998						
	opsis						
This book prepares parents to talk to their daughters about menstruation and the changes that accompany puberty. It includes many stories written by young women about their experiences with periods. Major Topics Skills Taught							
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Ideas for celebrating menarche are included.	ments						

"But, I'm Almost 13!"

	An Action Plan for Raising a Responsible Adolescent by K. Ginsburg & M. Jablow								
	Contemporary Books		218 pa	ages		2002			
	Synopsis								
ado acti	This book offers parents specific skills and strategies they can use to strengthen their relationship with their adolescent child and to equip their child to make healthy choices in a variety of situations. It outlines activities to use with children to develop skills and critical thinking. It uses a skill-based and asset-development approach to parenting preteens and teens.								
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	Comm	nents							
Thi	is book does not specifically address puberty, excep	pt how	preteens and teens	think.					

Dear Michael: Letters From a Mother to Her Son by C. Akagi 1996 Gylantic Pub. 210 pages **Synopsis** This book is full of practical, accurate information and advice in the form of letters from a mother to her son. It promotes respect, delaying sexual intercourse until a long-term, committed relationship is formed (usually after high school), and reserving parenthood for adult couples. This book is one boys will read repeatedly over the years and get something new each time. **Major Topics** Skills Taught **Explained** Modeled Abstinence ☐ Assertiveness Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female Male Communication Changes during puberty ☐ Decision making Female Male ☐ Goal setting HIV/AIDS Other STDs ☐ Media literacy Hygiene ☐ Negotiation Peer pressure Personal limit Pregnancy & fetal development setting Relationships ☐ Refusal ☐ Family Friends ■ Romantic Seeking help Sexual intercourse for reproduction ☐ None Social and media influences Weaknesses Strengths ■ Is age appropriate ☐ Appears outdated ☐ Is visually appealing ☐ Costs more than \$15 Models positive behavior ☐ Contains inaccurate information Produced since 1998 or later ☐ Has poor production quality ☐ Promotes family communication ☐ Lacks cultural diversity Other: ☐ Models negative behavior ☐ Portrays subject matter insensitively Stereotypes people **Sensitive Topics Target Audience** Abortion Students: ☐ Parents Boys Condoms Grade 4 Educators ☐ Girls Masturbation ☐ Grade 5 Sexual orientation Grade 6 Sexual behavior (not for reproduction) Comments The book sensitively addresses various views on homosexuality, deciding when to have intercourse, abortion, and circumcision. It promotes masturbation as a natural and healthy, private activity. Correct terminology is used, with slang in parentheses. Anatomical explanations include the external female

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genitalia. An outdated recommendation of nonoxynol-9 is included.

Enjoy Your Middle Schooler by J. W. Rice							
Zondervan		144 page	es	1994			
Sync	opsis						
This book assists parents in understanding the physical, emotional, social, mental, and spiritual characteristics of children aged 11 to 14. It offers helpful parenting tips for the middle school years.							
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This book is written from a Christian perspective but researchers.	quotes both	secular and relig	gious authors	and			

Finding Our Voices:

Talking With Our Children About Sexuality and AIDS								
Mothers' Voices	36 pages 1998							
Sync								
This book equips adults to talk with their children about sexuality and AIDS in order to promote healthy sexuality and prevent risky sexual behavior and HIV infection. Parents are encouraged to assess their own values and concerns. Tips for talking and taking advantage of teachable moments are described. Children's developmental stages are described and appropriate topics suggested for each stage from birth through teen.								
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Comments This book promotes abstinence and risk reduction education and provides rationale for that approach. Diagrams of the external genitalia are provided to assist parents in teaching the proper terms. The organization's web site is also useful.								

From Boys to Men: All About Adolescence and You by M. Gurian								
Price Stern Sloan	86 pages 1999							
Syno	psis							
The author writes in a no-nonsense style, man to man. Boys are told what to expect during puberty and encouraged to control their behavior, avoid drugs, and talk to family about what it's like to grow up. The male sex drive and ways to postpone sexual intercourse are discussed.								
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Comi	nents							
This book is a good one for adults who want to under masturbation as a way to postpone sexual intercourse.	• •							

Girl Stuff: A Survival Guide to Growing Up by M. Blackstone & E. Haden Guest							
Gulliver Books, Harcourt, Inc.		170 page	es	2000			
Synopsis This book focuses on a holistic approach in answering the question "Am I normal?" The majority of the book is on healthy habits and relationships during puberty. The last chapter contains sensitive topics.							
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Content is very current, including laser hair removal. addressed and external female genitalia are included. breathing.							

Growing Up: A Boy's Guide							
Planned Parenthood of	West Michigan		Three-p	oart Set	2000		
	Syno	psis					
This resource is packaged as a three-part set: (1) Four-page guide for adults with resources and tips for talking; (2) Booklet that clarifies myths about puberty and what it means to be a man; and (3) <i>What's Going On Down There?</i> by K. Gravelle, a 144-page book on puberty information for boys. The book is reviewed separately.							
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See the checklist for What's Going	On Down There? fo	or more	information.				

Growing Up: A Girl's Guide							
Planned Parenthood of West Michigan	Three-part Set 1998						
Sync	psis						
This resource is packaged as a three-part set: (1) Four-page guide for adults with resources and tips for talking to daughters; (2) A journal girls can write in that includes facts and information about puberty and a calendar for recording their menstrual cycle; and (3) <i>Have You Started Yet?</i> by R. Thomson, a 122-page book on menstruation for girls. The book is reviewed separately.							
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Abortion	Target Audience Students: □ Parents						
 □ Condoms ■ Masturbation □ Sexual orientation □ Sexual behavior (not for reproduction) 	Grade 4 Boys Grade 5 Girls Grade 6						
The visually appealing journal includes multicultural <i>Started Yet?</i> for more information.							

	Have You Started Yet? by R. Thomson							
	Price Stern Sloan			1	22 pa	iges		1995
	Sync	opsis						
unc	This book explains the changes the body experiences, outside and inside, during puberty. The focus is on understanding menstruation and how to handle the challenges that come with it. Various sanitary products, and the pros and cons of each, are discussed. Girls are encouraged to know and appreciate their bodies.							
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per	e explanation of the menstrual cycle is not accurate iod ends and that day one of the menstrual cycle is ividually, or as part of a three-part set titled <i>Growi</i>	the day	a per	iod sto	ps. T	his book is	avai	lable

How Your Baby Grows				
March of Dimes		18 pages	S	1999
Sync	psis			
This pamphlet illustrates fetal development and highlights the major developmental milestones at each month of gestational age. It describes changes in the pregnant woman and details the health care the pregnant woman needs during each month of pregnancy.				
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Comments This pamphlet was designed for pregnant women, but the language is simple enough for students in 6 th grade and higher. It recommends good nutrition, physical activity, and drug-free living.				

It's a Girl Thing:

How to Stay Healthy, Safe, and in Charge by M. Jukes			
Alfred A. Knopf	134 pages 1996		
Sync			
This exhaustive book covers issues from menstruation to drugs to sexual abuse. Its practical approach advocates for personal responsibility and safety.			
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The author frequently tells humorous, true stories about childhood situations to lighten the sometimes heavy content. This is a book girls will read repeatedly through the years and get something new each time.			

Just for Moms & Just for Girls by E. Hoekstra & B. Cutaiar			
Crossway Books	90 & 121 pages 1999		
Synopsis This two-book set encourages mothers and daughters to talk about the changes in puberty and reasons to wait until marriage before having sexual intercourse. It encourages healthy choices in diet, exercise, and disease prevention.			
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These books are written from a Christian perspective. They include lots of text and few illustrations. Information about the external female genitalia is included. This resource is also appropriate for older girls.			

More Speaking of Sex:

What Your Children Need to Know and When They Need to Know It by M. Hickling			
Northstone	252 pages 1996/1999		
Sync			
This book equips parents to talk with their children about sexuality. It has four sections: (1) Developmental stages and information needed at each; (2) Typical questions and possible responses; (3) Sexual health issues; and (4) How to communicate family values. The author, a nurse, draws on her experience with students to share information they want to know. Authentic student questions are included in the margins.			
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Comments			
This book includes a section on alternative methods of conception, such as "test tube babies." It does not specifically address how parents can promote abstinence. The author also hosts a video series for parents titled, "Sex Spelled Out for Parents." It is available from the Bureau for At-Risk Youth, (800) 99-YOUTH.			

Orita:

Rites of Passage for Youth of African Descent in America by M. & W. Maye			
Faith Works	160 page	es 2000	
Sync			
This book encourages adults to celebrate rites of passa adulthood. It describes a process for young people to Major Topics Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system	Skills T Assertiveness	rior to a celebration.	
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Comments This book promotes religious/spiritual study and ceremonial aspects.			

Period: A Girl's Guide by J. Loulan & B. Worthen			
Book Peddlers		76 pages	1971/2001
Syn	opsis		
Girls are encouraged to appreciate their unique bodies and the timing of their development. Anatomical terms are simply defined and pronunciation is provided. Sanitary products are thoroughly explained and a calendar for tracking periods is included. Normal vaginal discharge is mentioned and pelvic exams are described.			
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Comments This book includes a removable, fourteen-page parent guide on how to talk with children about menstruation. The parent guide may also be ordered separately in bulk.			

The Period Book:

Everything You Don't Want to Ask (But Need to Know) by K. Gravelle & J. Gravelle			
Walker and Company	110 pages 1996		
	opsis		
leading to menstruation. They explain what's normal a gynecological exam.			
Major Topics	Skills Taught		
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This book includes the external female genitalia, a brief explanation of male reproductive anatomy, and a brief reference to birth control without defining it. It nicely explains the difference between "normal" and "like everyone else." The last chapter and the portions that address sexual intercourse include messages from parents encouraging young people to postpone sexual intercourse.			

Puberty by A. & V. Silversteen & L. Silversteen Nunn				
Franklin Watts		64 pag	ges	2000
Synopsis This book provides a very thorough explanation of reproductive anatomy and physiology, using many big words. It addresses many topics of concern to young people and is intended for students to read themselves. Major Topics Skills Taught				
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This book ends on a positive health habit focus but makes several negative statements about menstruation. When the book discusses talking to parents about sex, it states, "forget about it!" It states that masturbation is okay as long as it's done behind closed doors.				

Puberty in Boys:

Normal Body Changes in Preteens by C. Freitas			
Health Information Network	20 pages 2000		
	opsis		
This booklet has a very positive approach to puberty and reassures the reader that the physical, emotional, and intellectual changes are normal. Explanations are brief, simple and practical. It does not discuss intercourse but warns about risks of "sexual behavior" and encourages the reader to talk to adults. It presumes the reader is not considering having sex.			
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Sensitive Topics Abortion Condoms Masturbation Sexual orientation Sexual behavior (not for reproduction)	Target Audience Students:		
Comments			
The book warns against steroid use when discussing growth. It discusses gynecomastia in boys but does not mention breast development in girls. Deep breathing and other strategies are suggested for handling mood swings.			

Puberty in Girls:

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Sync	psis				
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Com	ments				
The book includes the external female genitalia and n menstrual cycle can vary between 28 and 50 days. D handling mood swings.					

Reproductive Anatomy & Physiology:

A Picture of Health Flip Chart by ETR							
	ETR Associates		10 page	S	1995		
hun	Synopsis This is an oversized flip chart that contains ten color illustration panels depicting a variety of aspects of human sexuality. Diagrams include hormones, male/female external and internal reproductive anatomy, menstruation, fertilization, and sexual intercourse. On the back of each panel are notes that assist with the presentation of the topic.						
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	Comments The diagram of sexual intercourse is the last panel, so it can be omitted as desired. The flip chart forms its own stand.						

A Celebration of Menarche by L. LaFlamme						
Synchronicity Press	70 page	s 2000				
This book is a collection of multicultural writings about menstruation but encourages self-esteem and self-est	Skills T Assertiveness Communication Decision making					
☐ ☐ Female ☐ Male ☐ HIV/AIDS ☐ Other STDs ☐ Hygiene ☐ Peer pressure ☐ Pregnancy & fetal development ☐ Relationships ☐ Family ☐ Friends ☐ Romantic ☐ Sexual intercourse for reproduction ☐ Social and media influences	 □ Media literacy □ Negotiation □ Personal limit setting □ Refusal □ Seeking help ■ None 					
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This is a gift book for an adult to present to a girl or young woman.						

by S. Nottingham & A. Craven						
Connection Health	Six set	s 1996-99				
Sync	opsis					
This is a collection of interactive activity sets on a variety of topics: Ovulation and Menstruation - Male, Female, Both; Puberty; Friendship; Body Image; and Fact or Opinion? Several activities include sentence completion or word-matching cards. Activity sets may be ordered individually and used in any order. Major Topics Skills Taught						
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Sensitive Topics		Audience				
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	Comments These supplemental resource activities reinforce reproductive health curriculum concepts.					

What's Going on Down There? Answers to Questions Boys Find Hard to Ask by K. Gravelle

by K. Gravelle					
Walker and Company		150 page	es	1998	
	opsis				
In a conversational tone, the author explains changes about the normalcy of a variety of events in puberty a Major Topics Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female Male Changes during puberty Female Male HIV/AIDS Other STDs Hygiene Peer pressure Pregnancy & fetal development Relationships Family Friends Romantic Sexual intercourse for reproduction Social and media influences Strengths	in puberty ar and how to ha ha how to ha ha how to ha ha how to ha ha ha how to ha ha how to ha	Skills Taiveness nunication on making etting literacy iation null limit	Taught Explained	Practiced Practiced	
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Com	ments				
Testicular self-exam is described. Description of anatomy includes the external female genitalia. The abstinence message could be much stronger.					

The What's Happening to My Body? Book for Boys by L. Madaras						
Newmarket Press		304 pages	s 1	983/2000		
Sync	psis	1 0				
This book is an exhaustive reference book on the changes in puberty and the reproductive anatomy and physiology. It addresses many topics of interest to boys and their parents. Emphasis is on the physical changes, but the last chapters include emotional and social issues.						
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Comments This book undergoes periodic updates to prevent outdated information. It might be difficult for younger readers. This is a book boys will read repeatedly through the years and get something new each time.						

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Comi	nents					
This book undergoes periodic updates to prevent outdated information. It might be difficult for younger readers. External female genitalia are described in detail. This is a book girls will read repeatedly through the years and get something new each time.						

What's UpWith Abstinence					
Channing L. Bete Co., Inc.	24 pages	2000			
	opsis				
This 8 ½ by 11-inch booklet includes information, quizzes, and games that cover topics related to abstinence: ways to show affection, reasons to wait, pressure lines, a parent interview, refusal and communication skills, and teen parenting. It includes a password that allows students to access a web site with additional information and online activities. The teacher/leader guide that accompanies the booklet has eleven additional activities and a password to access a web site for educators. Major Topics Skills Taught					
Strengths Is age appropriate	Weaknesses Appears outdated				
Is visually appealing	Costs more than \$15				
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Produced since 1998 or laterPromotes family communication	☐ Has poor production quality ☐ Lacks cultural diversity				
Other:	Models negative behavior				
	☐ Portrays subject matter insensitivel	y			
	☐ Stereotypes people	_			
Sensitive Topics	Target Audience	D			
☐ Abortion ☐ Condoms	Students: Boys Grade 4 Boys	Parents Educators			
Masturbation	Grade 5 Girls	Educators			
Sexual orientation	Grade 6				
Sexual behavior (not for reproduction)					
i i	ments				
Abstinence is defined as "waiting to have sex" and is promoted in a very positive manner. The last page is a contract that students complete. The frequent references to dating and sexual decision-making might be more appropriate for older middle school students.					

What's UpWith Growing Up—for Boys					
Channing L. Bete Co., Inc.		24 page	S	2000	
Sync	psis	- · FQ .	-	_ , , ,	
This 8 ½ by 11-inch booklet includes information, quizzes, and games that cover topics of interest to boys related to puberty, relationships, body image, love, and sex. It includes a password that allows students to access a web site with additional information and online activities. The teacher/leader guide that accompanies the booklet has ten additional activities and a password to access a web site for educators.					
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Good nutrition and health habits are promoted. Students are warned not to use alcohol and other drugs. Very little female anatomy is included. Abstinence and contraception are mentioned. The frequent references to dating and sexual decision-making might be more appropriate for older middle school students.					

What's UpWith Growing Up—for Girls						
Channing L. Bete Co., Inc.	24 page	s 2000				
	ppsis	2000				
This 8 ½ by 11-inch booklet includes information, quizzes, and games that cover topics of interest to girls related to puberty, relationships, body image, love, and sex. It includes a password that allows students to access a web site with additional information and online activities. The teacher/leader guide that accompanies the booklet has ten additional activities and a password to access a web site for educators.						
Major Topics	Skills T	aught				
Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female	 □ Assertiveness □ Communication □ Decision making □ Goal setting □ Media literacy □ Negotiation □ Personal limit setting □ Refusal ■ Seeking help □ None 	Explained Practiced				
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Good nutrition and health habits are promoted. Students are warned not to use alcohol and other drugs. Very little male anatomy is included. Abstinence and contraception are mentioned. The frequent references to dating and sexual decision-making might be more appropriate for older middle school students.						



Boy to Man (4th ed.)						
SVE & Churchill	2	24 minutes	2000			
Syn	psis					
This video details the typical changes and events experienced by a young man and his friends. Sexual attraction is highlighted. Detailed reproductive anatomy is overviewed. This edition is all new, except for some diagrams from the 3 rd edition (1992, 20 minutes), which is still available.						
Major Topics	_	Skills Taught				
Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female Male Changes during puberty Female Male HIV/AIDS Other STDs Hygiene Peer pressure Pregnancy & fetal development Relationships Family Friends Romantic Sexual intercourse for reproduction Social and media influences	□ Assertiveness □ Communication □ Decision make □ Goal setting □ Media literacy □ Negotiation □ Personal limits setting □ Refusal □ Seeking help □ None	on cing	ned Modeled			
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Sensitive Topics Abortion Condoms Masturbation (3 rd edition only) Sexual orientation Sexual behavior (not for reproduction)	Students: Grade 4 Grade 5 Grade 6	□ Boys □ Girls	☐ Parents ☐ Educators			
Comments This video is essentially the same as the version for girls, <i>Girl to Woman</i> (4 th ed.), but has more on male anatomy, defines sexual intercourse as "male putting penis in female vagina," and has less on menstrual cycle.						

A Family Talks About Sex (2nd ed.)							
	SVE & Churchill			30 minut	es		1988
	Syno	psis					
Thi	This video models answering children's questions and handling typical situations every family experiences.						
	Major Topics			Skills T	Faught		
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	Comr	nents					
This video is quite old, but the quality of the modeling of parent-child communication is still valuable and helpful. To acquire this video, it must be requested from the producer, since it is not in the catalog. There are no plans to update it.							

Fertilization and Birth (2nd ed.)					
SVE & Churchill Media		15 minutes	1991, 1999		
Syn	psis				
Using cartoons and photos, this video explains how reproduction occurs in a variety of animals. After showing a couple getting married, it describes the changes that occur in humans during puberty and explains sexual intercourse. Fetal development and birth are shown using diagrams. Throughout, the media emphasizes the importance of family support and personal responsibility.					
Major Topics	_	Skills Taught			
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☐ Masturbation	Grade				
Sexual orientation	☐ Grade	6			
Sexual behavior (not for reproduction)					
Com	nents				
This video was produced in 1991and revised in 1999.					

Fetal Development: A Nine Month Journey					
AIMS Multimedia	15 minutes 1990				
Syn	opsis				
This video traces the development of a fetus from conception through birth using remarkable photography, drawings, and animation. Emphasis is placed on the importance of a positive lifestyle, including good nutrition and abstinence from drugs, for the mother. The live birth shown at the conclusion of the video is modestly and gently depicted.					
Major Topics	Skills Taught				
Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female	Assertiveness Communication Decision making Goal setting Media literacy Negotiation Personal limit setting Refusal Seeking help None				
Strengths	Weaknesses				
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Com	ments				
	This video is quite old, but the quality of the modeling of parent-child communication is still valuable and helpful. To acquire this video, it must be requested from the producer, since it is not in the catalog. There are no plans to update it.				

Girl to Woman (4th ed.)					
SVE & Churchill		25 minutes		2000	
Sync	psis				
This video describes the physical and emotional changes experienced by a young woman and her friends. Detailed reproductive anatomy is overviewed. This edition is all new, except for some diagrams from the 3 rd edition (1994, 23 minutes), which is still available. Major Topics Skills Taught					
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Comments This video is essentially the same as the version for boys, <i>Boy to Man</i> (4 th ed.), but has more information about the menstrual cycle, has less on male anatomy, and does not define sexual intercourse.					

Human Growth (5th ed.)				
SVE & Churchill		22 minute	es	1998
Syn	opsis			
This video describes growth from conception to adulthood, focusing on physical, emotional, and social changes of puberty. It includes multiple clips of young people sharing their experiences, concerns, ideas, and questions.				
Major Topics		Skills T	aught	
Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female Male Changes during puberty Female Male HIV/AIDS Other STDs Hygiene Peer pressure Pregnancy & fetal development Relationships Family Friends Romantic Sexual intercourse for reproduction Social and media influences	Comm Decisi Goal s	literacy fation al limit al al	Explain	ed Modeled
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Comments This video includes a diagram of a penis inside a vagina to illustrate the description of sexual intercourse.				

Just Around the Corner for Boys					
MarshMedia	15 minutes	s 2000			
Syn	psis				
A teen narrator tells what to expect in puberty. The approach is upbeat, but honest in reassuring normalcy of changes. The video is live action except for cartoon drawings that illustrate the changes of puberty. It includes male information only.					
Major Topics	Skills Ta	ught			
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Com	ients				
This video has the same script as the version for girls, <i>Just Around the Corner for Girls</i> , except it only has information about males.					

Just Around the Corner for Girls					
	MarshMedia		15 minut	es	2000
	Syno	psis			
reass	A teen narrator tells what to expect in puberty using simple terms. The approach is upbeat, but honest in reassuring normalcy of changes. The video is live action except for cartoon drawings that illustrate the changes of puberty. It includes female information only.				
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	Comr	nents			
	This video has the same script as the version for boys, <i>Just Around the Corner for Boys</i> , except it only has information about females. It does not include the external female genitalia.				

Puberty for Boys					
United Learning	21 minutes 2001				
	opsis				
This video interviews many boys and young men to relate changes of puberty and their questions, experiences, and feelings. It reassures young men that their feelings are normal and encourages them to get help if it is needed.					
Major Topics Abstinence	Skills Taught Explained Modeled				
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Sensitive Topics Abortion Condoms Masturbation Sexual orientation Sexual behavior (not for reproduction)	Target Audience Students: ☐ Grade 4 ☐ Boys ☐ Grade 5 ☐ Girls ☐ Grade 6				
This video lacks the abstinence message that is communicated in the girls' version, <i>Puberty for Girls</i> . It also lacks the health message about diet and exercise that the girls' video contains. This video contains no external female genitalia.					

Puberty for Girls				
United Learning		25 minute	es	2001
	opsis			
This video describes puberty for girls from a female premale experts. It provides health messages in a manual content of the provides health messages in t		urages girls to b	e proud the	
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Comments This video addresses body image and healthy versus unhealthy eating habits. It contains an abstinence message that is not communicated in the boys' version, <i>Puberty for Boys</i> . This video contains no external female genitalia.				

Sexual Harassment: An Adolescent Perspective Series

An Adolescent Perspective Series						
	SVE & Churchill		8 minutes ea	ch	1996	
	Syno	psis				
This set includes three videos: (1) What Is Abuse?; (2) Who Are Harassers and Victims?; and (3) Avoiding Sexual Harassment. The first video describes sexual harassment and lists examples. Students are encouraged to develop self-esteem and empathy. The second video tells four ways to tell if you're being harassed and identifies four profiles of harassers and recommends a response for each. Three types of victims are also described. The third video tells what to do to avoid being victimized and steps to take if harassed.						
	Major Topics		Skills Ta		36 1 1 1	
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	Abortion Condoms Masturbation Sexual orientation Sexual behavior (not for reproduction)	Studen Grad Grad Grad	le 4	_		
	Comments					

Straight Talk About Sexual Health					
MarshMedia	19 minutes 2001				
Sync	ppsis				
Teens narrate an advice talk show and discuss reproduction with a focus on responsibility and thinking ahead about limits. Advice is interspersed with scenarios that illustrate the use of skills. Choices and consequences are discussed.					
Major Topics	Skills Taught				
Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female Male Changes during puberty Female Male HIV/AIDS Other STDs Hygiene Peer pressure Pregnancy & fetal development Relationships Family Friends Romantic Sexual intercourse for reproduction Social and media influences	Assertiveness Communication Decision making Goal setting Media literacy Negotiation Personal limit setting Refusal Seeking help None				
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Sensitive Topics Abortion Condoms Masturbation Sexual orientation Sexual behavior (not for reproduction)	Target Audience Students: Grade 4 Grade 5 Grade 6 Parents Educators				
Comments This video is also suitable for older students. The external female genitalia are not included in the description of the reproductive systems.					

	Talking About Sex Series						
_	Sunburst		12/10 min	utes	2000		
	Syno	psis					
you cha vide	This series includes two videos: (1) Am I Normal?; and (2) Thinking Ahead. The first video depicts young people who have different interests in romantic relationships and wonder if they are normal. The changes in puberty are quickly reviewed and viewers are assured that changes are normal. The second video shows real young people who have questions about the romantic feelings experienced during puberty. It clarifies myths about crushes, rumors, sex, and pregnancy.						
	Major Topics		Skills 7				
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	Comr	nent	S				
. ,	 Video is available with or without mention of STDs, condoms, and masturbation. It states masturbation is normal. Only one version of this video is available. It includes a scenario showing students at a party drinking alcohol and making out. It encourages the girl who made a decision to stop, even though the boy ridiculed her. This video is also appropriate for older students. 						

Then One Year (2nd ed.)					
SVE & Churchill		24 minute	es	1992	
Synopsis This video was designed to be used in place of the 3 rd edition versions of <i>Girl to Woman</i> and <i>Boy to Man</i> . It combines the information for both sexes into one presentation. It includes anatomy and physiology of the male and female reproductive systems and the emotional, social, and physical changes of puberty. Major Topics Skills Taught					
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This video is essentially the same as the 3 rd edition versions of <i>Girl to Woman</i> and <i>Boy to Man</i> combined.					

We're Gro	owing Up!							
MarshMedia	12 minutes 1996							
Sync	ppsis							
Two young adults talk about physical and emotional changes. Emphasis is placed on gaining maturity, self-control, and responsibility.								
Major Topics	Skills Taught							
Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female Male Changes during puberty Female Male HIV/AIDS □ Other STDs Hygiene Peer pressure Pregnancy & fetal development Relationships □ Family □ Friends □ Romantic Sexual intercourse for reproduction	Assertiveness Communication Decision making Goal setting Media literacy Negotiation Personal limit setting Refusal Seeking help None							
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Abortion	Students:							
☐ Condoms ☐ Masturbation ☐ Sexual orientation ☐ Sexual behavior (not for reproduction) ☐ Comparison	Grade 4 Boys Grade 5 Girls Grade 6							
The quick pace and use of multiple terms may be diffigenitalia are not included in the description of the repr	icult for students to absorb. The external female							

What Kids Want to	o Know	About Se	x	
GPN		57 minut	es	1998
Syn	opsis			
This video addresses puberty in a reassuring manner answer questions in single sex groups of students. Er puberty are explained in a very positive way.				
Major Topics		Skills T	aught	
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The external female genitalia are included in the desc clitoris are defined. The flour sack babies' activity is A more extensive teacher guide is available for an add	ription of the	to illustrate the		

You, Me and the Ki	ds: Dumbing Down								
Film Ideas	24 minutes 1999								
Sync									
This video explores issues for girls who alter behavior at puberty in order to conform to societal norms for females. The impact this has on learning is discussed.									
Major Topics	Skills Taught								
Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female	Assertiveness Communication Decision making Goal setting Media literacy Negotiation Personal limit setting Refusal Seeking help None								
Strengths	Weaknesses								
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Sensitive Topics Abortion Condoms Masturbation Sexual orientation Sexual behavior (not for reproduction)	Target Audience ■ Students: □ Grade 4 □ Boys □ Grade 5 □ Girls ■ Grade 6								
Comments This video addresses social and emotional changes that occur in girls during puberty, but not physical ones.									

You, Me and the Kid	ls: Puberty Happens
Film Ideas	24 minutes 1999
Sync	opsis
This video focuses on the emotional changes that accommodiness. Feelings about developing earlier or later discussed. Teens relate how difficult it may be to talk	than peers, and the teasing that may result, are
Major Topics	Skills Taught
Abstinence Anatomy and function of reproductive system Female	Assertiveness Communication Decision making Goal setting Media literacy Negotiation Personal limit setting Refusal Seeking help None
Strengths	Weaknesses
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Sensitive Topics Abortion Condoms Masturbation Sexual orientation Sexual behavior (not for reproduction)	Target Audience ■ Students: □ Grade 4 □ Boys □ Grade 5 □ Grade 6 □ Grade 6
This video addresses emotional changes that occur du	ring puberty, but not physical ones.

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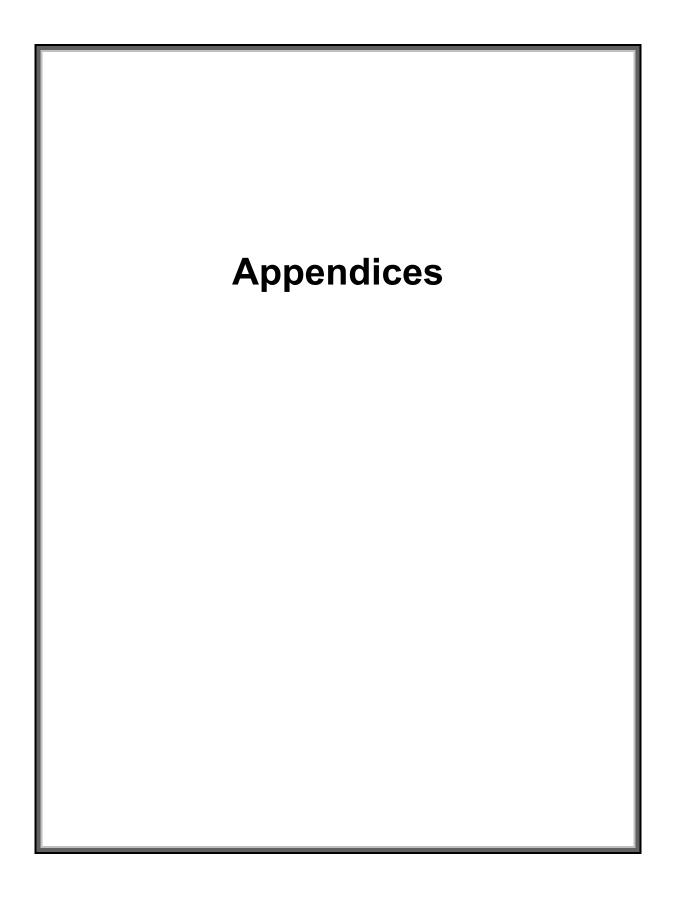
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<u>PARENT/COMMUNITY SEX EDUCATION SURVEY</u> (Sample)

The ____school district is in the process of reviewing the sex education/reproductive health education program so that it better meets the needs of students as well as the standards of the community. Thank you for taking a few minutes to complete the following survey and share your thoughts with us.

1. Should the school district include a set of lessons on sex education/reproductive health at the: (Please circle one response for each level)

Elementary	Level?	Middle Scho	ol Level?	High School Level?				
Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No			

2. If a set of lessons were offered at the age-appropriate grade level, would you allow your child to participate? (Please circle one response)

Yes	No	I don't have a child currently enrolled in the school district
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3. At what grade should each of the following possible sex education/reproductive health topics <u>first be taught?</u> (Please check one grade for each of the following topics K-12)

	Elementary			Middle			High School			əl				
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	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
F. Sexual Decision Making: Includes developing skills such as													
communication, assertiveness, refusal, and negotiation skills for sexual													1
decision-making.													1
G. Pregnancy and Childbirth: Explains how pregnancy occurs, the													
importance of prenatal care, and the birth of babies.													<u> </u>
H. Parenting Responsibilities: Explores physical, emotional, social, and													
economic responsibilities of parenting and impact on future goals.													<u> </u>
I. Abstinence: Discusses reasons for not having sexual intercourse and													1
develops skills (e.g., communication and refusal) for being abstinent.													<u></u>
J. Sexually Transmitted Diseases (including HIV/AIDS): Includes													1
information about the transmission, symptoms, treatment, and prevention of													1
sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV/AIDS, herpes, and syphilis.													<u></u>
K. Risk Reduction: Provides information about condoms as a means to													1
reduce risk for HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases.													<u> </u>
L. Contraception: Provides information about birth control methods such as													1
abstinence, condoms, birth control pills, and Depo-Provera and their roles in													1
preventing pregnancy.													<u> </u>
M. Sexual Orientation/Identity: Teaches that some students self-identify or													1
are perceived to be gay, lesbian, or bisexual and that all students deserve to be													1
treated with respect (i.e., no name-calling, taunting, bullying).													<u> </u>
N. Sexual Abuse, Rape, and Sexual Assault: Provides information about													1
forced sexual activity and ways to prevent it, the laws, and where to go for													ĺ
help.													<u> </u>
O. Other													<u></u>

4.	Which topics, if any, do you believe the school district should not cover in a sex education/reproductive health set of lessons?
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3.	Please feel free to make any additional comments you wish to make. Thank you.

^{*}Topics and definitions are adapted from Journal of School Health, May 1998

HIV/STD and Sex Education in Michigan Schools

Mandate	School districts are required to teach about dangerous communicable diseases: including, but not limited to, HIV/AIDS. (Section 1169, Michigan School Code) School districts can choose to teach sex education. If they do, they must do so in accordance with Sections 1506 and 1507 of the Michigan School Code, and Section 166a of the Michigan School Aid Act.
Instructional Standard	Instruction regarding dangerous communicable diseases: including, but not limited to, HIV/AIDS, must be offered at least once a year at every building level (elementary, middle/junior, senior high).
Content	 Content of HIV/STD and sex education instruction is largely determined by local school districts. According to Sections 1169 and 1507 of the Michigan School Code: It must include the principal modes by which dangerous communicable diseases are spread and the best methods for the restriction and prevention of these diseases (HIV/STD education). It must include the teaching of abstinence from sex as a responsible method for restriction and prevention of these diseases and as a positive lifestyle for unmarried young people (HIV/STD and sex education). It cannot include the teaching of abortion as a method of reproductive health (HIV/STD and sex education). It cannot include the dispensing or distribution of a family planning drug or device (HIV/STD and sex education). Violation can result in a loss of five percent of the district's state aid allocation (Michigan School Aid Act, Section 166).
Changing Curricula	 Curricula that are used as a part of HIV/STD or sex education instruction offered by a school district must go through the formal approval process including two public hearings and school board approval (Sections 1169 and 1507, Michigan School Code). Curricula, materials, and methods must be approved in advance regardless of the: Class in which it is taught (e.g., health class, school-wide assembly, English class). Person providing the instruction (teacher, school nurse, guest speaker). Time of day the instruction is offered (during the school day versus after school). Place the instruction takes place (within the building versus off the school premises).

Every district that chooses to implement sex education must have a sex education **Sex Education** advisory committee to periodically review materials and methods, and make **Committees** recommendations to the district regarding changes. The committee is established by the school district and must include at a minimum: **Parents** of children attending the district's schools **Pupils** in the district's schools **Educators** Local **clergy** Community health professionals Every district choosing to have a sex education program must have a Sex Education Supervisor, approved by the Michigan Department of Education, who oversees the program of instruction. (Sections 1506 and 1507, Michigan School Code) **Definition of** Every district choosing to have a sex education program needs to **develop or** adopt a definition of sex education. The definition determines which content **Sex Education** and materials are considered "sex education" and need to go through the approval and parent notification process detailed in Section 1507 of the Michigan School Code and Section 166a of the Michigan School Aid Act. For HIV/AIDS and sex education instruction, parents and/or legal guardians must Parent be notified in advance of: Notification The **content** of the instruction. Their **right** to review materials in advance. Their **right** to observe instruction. Their **right** to excuse their child without penalty. Districts that do not properly notify parents can lose up to five percent of their total state school aid allocation (Section 166a, Michigan State Aid Act). If a parent or legal guardian files a continuing written notice (i.e., a request to have their child permanently excluded from sex education classes), the student shall not be enrolled in the class(es) unless the parent or legal guardian submits a written authorization for that enrollment (Section 1507a, Michigan School Code). Each person who teaches K-12 pupils about HIV/AIDS shall have training in **Teacher** HIV and AIDS education for young people (Section 1169, Michigan School Training Code). Training requirements for teachers of sex education as well as the determination of who is "qualified" to teach sex education are determined by the local school district. Trainings in both HIV/AIDS and sex education/reproductive health are usually offered through the regional ISD or RESA that services that school district. Guest speakers are not required by law to go through these trainings. A trained teacher, however, should always be in the classroom when guest speakers are presenting. Model Michigan has a model health education curriculum that is used by a majority of school districts in Michigan. In HIV/STD prevention, there are model curricula Curricula for grades K-6 and grades 7-8. The K-6 lessons include one to two lessons per grade level. The seven-lesson middle school unit-of-study is abstinence-only (i.e., condoms are not discussed as a means of risk reduction). Districts can choose to adopt, adapt, or disregard the model curriculum and implement commercially or locally developed curricula.

Sex Education Planning Guide for Schools

	Activity	Not Done	In Prog	In Place
1.	Establish, or re-establish, a sex education advisory committee with			
	the membership required by law.			
2.	Assign a sex education supervisor.			
3.	Determine charge, mission, and outcomes for the committee.			
4.	Establish ground rules, timelines, and a decision-making model			
	(e.g., consensus or majority) for the committee.			
5.	Establish working subcommittees, such as parent involvement,			
	audiovisual materials, evaluation, etc.			
6.	Develop a working definition of sex education.			
7.	Assess what is already being done in the school and community.			
8.	Survey parents, community, and students about their needs and			
	wishes.			
9.	Utilize available data, such as teen pregnancy statistics, and help			
	document need for the program.			
10.	Identify desired student outcomes, including knowledge and skills,			
	for each developmental level.			
11.	Identify criteria for reviewing programs and materials.			
12.	Identify programs and materials that match desired student			
	outcomes.			
13.	Review programs and materials.			
14.	Select optimal curriculum and materials for each developmental			
	level.			
15.	Specify a policy for answering students' questions.			
16.	Plan parent notification procedure.			
17.	Make recommendations regarding program, curricula, materials,			
	resources, and policy issues to the board.			
18.	Hold two public hearings, at least one week apart.			
19.	Document board of education approval for plan.			
20.	Determine who will teach and whether they are qualified.			
21.	Define staff training needs.			
22.	Train staff as necessary.			
23.	Inform parents on the content of the program, their right to opt out			
	their children, and their right to observe the class.			
24.	Plan ways to collect feedback from parents, students, and teachers.			
25.	Implement the program.			
26.	Establish a plan to regularly review the program and revise as			
	needed to maximize effectiveness.			

(Sample): Must attach content/course description

NOTIFICATION TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Name of School D	istrict: Date:
	Board of Education has established a program of instruction, V/AIDS and other serious communicable disease prevention education and sexuality ed is an outline for the units of study in each of the above content area(s).
in HIV and other so board of education for your review. If (phone #) to an	igan law, you have the right to review the materials and curriculum content to be used erious communicable disease prevention education, as well as sex education. The loca, in compliance with the statute, has made the materials and curriculum guides available you wish to review the materials or curriculum content, please contact the district at trange a time for your review. You also have the right to observe instruction in your If you wish to do this, please call <u>(phone #)</u> to make arrangements.
serious communica to exercise your rig	you to excuse your child from participation in the classes that include HIV and other able disease prevention instruction, as well as sex education if you choose. If you wish that to excuse your child from instruction without penalty, please send written notice to ar child's school before
	(date when instruction is to begin)
Sincerely,	
Superintendent of S (or designated repr	
1.	My child may be included in this instruction. If you choose this option, you do not need to return this form to school.
2.	My child will be excused from the instruction only for the lessons outlined on the attachment.
3.	My child will be excused from the instruction outlined on the attachment and all future reproductive health education instruction until I further notify the principal of my child's school.
Student Name:	
Parent Signature	Date

Suggested Topics and Concepts for Grades 4-6

According to an American School Health Association publication, the following sexuality education topics and concepts are appropriate for students in grades 4 through 6:

- ◆ Equal opportunity regardless of race, gender, religion, physical or mental ability, or cultural background
- Prejudice, discrimination, and sexism
- ♦ Heredity influences on growth
- Puberty and changes in the body during preadolescence, including menstruation and nocturnal emissions
- Assertive affirmation of beliefs as a part of the growth process
- ♦ Biology of human reproduction
- ♦ Myths about masturbation
- The importance of responsible social behavior that is consistent with moral and ethical values
- The family as the origin of personal value systems, and the role schools play in providing supplementary facts and ideas that can help in making decisions
- Emotions that preadolescents and adolescents may experience
- ♦ Healthy decision-making
- ♦ Boy-girl relationships
- ♦ Major family life events including breakup of a marriage, birth of a child, death, adoption, stepparents, stepchildren, serious illness, and a new job requiring family relocation
- Individual differences associated with the rate and timing of physical and emotional changes
- ♦ The birth of a baby

Adapted from Sexuality Education Within Comprehensive School Health Education, (1991) Neutens, Drolet, Dushaw, & Jubb (Eds.), American School Health Association.



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Every Michigan school district is served by a regional school health coordinator. Coordinators are usually housed at an Intermediate School District or a Regional Education Service Agency within their region. Most of the coordinators service several counties, and several coordinators service large urban school districts. Coordinators are funded to provide materials, staff development, and technical assistance to local districts in health education, including HIV/STD prevention. Contact the Michigan Department of Education School Health Unit at (517) 241-4284 if you need assistance determining the regional health education coordinator who services your school district.

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Answering Student Questions

Young people are very interested in learning about their bodies, particularly during the years of rapid change called puberty. Given an opportunity, students ask many questions during reproductive health classes. This is an excellent opportunity for teachers to communicate several principles:

- It is "okay" acceptable, appropriate, and normal to talk about sex and to be curious about related topics.
- Sexuality is a facet of each individual's total person.
- Decisions regarding sexual health are not to be taken lightly.
- All sincere questions are good.
- Everyone has gone through, or will go through, puberty.
- There are reliable sources of information about sexuality, reproductive health, and related topics.
- Many adults who care about young people are willing to talk with them about sexuality and reproductive health.
- Young people are not yet ready for the responsibility that comes with being sexually active.

Communication - Verbal and Nonverbal

In order to communicate openness to questions and discussions about sexuality and related issues, it is critical that each teacher be very aware of the messages he/she is sending to the students. These messages are sent verbally and nonverbally. Verbal messages consist of the actual words we say, as well as the way we say them - inflection, volume, and tone. Nonverbal messages include body language, facial expressions, gestures, and eye contact.

When preparing to teach reproductive health classes, it is particularly helpful to check that verbal and nonverbal messages are consistent, and that they are sending the messages intended. Practicing delivery of a lesson and responses to student questions will increase personal comfort with the terms and subjects that will be used. If this practice is done in front of a mirror, it is easy to see if the nonverbal messages are communicating discomfort or embarrassment. Practicing with a colleague allows for constructive feedback that will increase confidence also.

Steps in Answering Student Questions

When a student asks a question, no matter what the topic, it is helpful to keep the following steps in mind when formulating a response:

• Recognize the value of the question.

Thank you for asking that.
That's an interesting question.
I'm glad you asked that question.
Many people wonder about that.

• Determine what is already known about the topic.

What have you heard about that?
What can you tell me about that?
Do you already know anything about that?

 Discover the true meaning of the question.
 Re-phrase the question and repeat it. I heard you ask...Is that right?
Let me see if I understand the
question...
When you asked..., did you mean...?

Clarify terms as needed.
 You asked what a ... is.

When you say..., do you mean...? That is another word for....

The word ... has several meanings, but in this case, it means....

 Give a brief, concise, ageappropriate answer. Too little information is better than too much. That word means....
Some people think.... Other people think....
...is when....happens.

 Ask if the answer was suitable and allow for further questions. Did that answer your question?
Was that what you wanted to
know?
Is there anything else you'd like to ask?

• Open the door for future questions.

I'm glad you were able to talk to me about... I'm here if you have more questions.

If you have more questions later, just let me know

That was an interesting question. I hope we can talk again sometime.

Possible Meanings for Questions

When a student asks a question, the best answer to give depends on what the student really means. The same words could have several different meanings, each requesting a different response from the teacher. The following are some possible meanings for questions:

- Attempt to provoke a response.
- Attention seeking.
- Request for information or facts.
- Reinforcement of previously acquired information.
- · Clarification of misunderstood message or rumor.
- Reassurance for self or others.
- Plea for help or intervention.

Formulating Responses to Student Questions

In formulating appropriate responses to student questions, the guidelines specified by the district Sex Education Advisory Committee must be considered. Each district should have a policy for responding to questions, as well as clear language about which topics may be discussed in the classroom, and which ones may not. If the question pertains to the approved curriculum, media, and materials, the question may be addressed. However, if the question is on a topic that is not part of the approved curriculum, or asks for more detail than has been approved, the teacher must know what guidelines affect answering the question.

Allowing some preparation time before answering a sensitive question will prevent answering in a way that is later regretted. It is fine to respond by telling the student that some time is needed to think about how the question is best answered. Sometimes it will be necessary to tell students that you don't know the answer, but you will try to find out and answer later. When a response is postponed, be sure to return to the question at a later time.

Using a question box also allows the teacher time to prepare responses before answering. When a question box is used, each student in the class is given a slip of paper at the beginning of each reproductive health lesson. The students may write a question or a comment about the lesson on the paper. At the end of each session, each student must place his or her paper in the question box. This ensures anonymity and encourages reflection on the day's lesson.

Dealing With Questions That May Not Be Answered

There will probably be times when a question has been asked that cannot be answered in the classroom because it is outside the scope of the curriculum and/or the district Sex Education Advisory Committee has decided that the subject is not appropriate for classroom discussion. In these cases, it is best to refer the student to their families for information and/or to point them to another reliable source of information. The district may approve providing the students or their families with resource directories, hotline numbers, or counseling services.

Some teachers believe that questions that may not be answered in the classroom may be answered outside the classroom at a later time. This is not true. The Sex Education Advisory Committee guidelines apply to any situation the teacher is in as a professional. Tell the students that the school's policy does not allow teachers to answer some questions and encourage them find the answer another way.

Situations That Require Action

Some questions or topics of discussion could indicate a situation exists that could endanger the health or welfare of a student. If a teacher becomes aware of such a situation, the proper people must be notified.

Student statements or questions that cause the teacher to suspect emotional, physical, and/or sexual abuse or neglect of a minor must be reported to Child Protective Services. It is important to check your school district policy and place a phone call as soon as possible to report the suspicion. Then, make out the written report within 48 hours and mail it.

Sometimes students tell teachers things in confidence that should not be kept confidential. It is best to be up front with students by letting them know that there are situations that require the teacher to get help. For example, if a minor student tells a teacher he/she has a health problem, the teacher must not keep it secret. The teacher should tell the student that he/she will have to get help for the student in this situation. Legally, the teacher is vulnerable to future legal action if the secret is kept.

Ask this question: If something negative happens to a student, and later it is discovered that a teacher knew, but didn't tell anyone, would the teacher be in trouble? If the answer is likely to be yes, the teacher must let someone know about the situation.

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Guest Speaker Guidelines

Considering Whether to Use a Guest Speaker:

- Decide on the purpose of the presentation.
 - Do you want to give students an opportunity to get information that is not available through other means?
 - > Do you want to present a controversial topic from several points of view?
 - Do you want students to build contacts with community support systems?
 - Do you want students to make a personal connection with an issue?
 - > Is a guest the best way to meet your objectives?

Locating a Guest Speaker:

- ☐ Contact other health educators and community agencies to ask for recommendations, and ask questions.
 - Have you seen this speaker work with upper elementary students?
 - ➤ Is this speaker able to communicate simply and appropriately for this age group without using jargon?
 - ➤ How did the students respond to this speaker?
 - Was this speaker reliable and sensitive to the limitations of schools?

Contacting a Guest Speaker:

- ☐ Contact the guest speaker and explain what you want.
 - ➤ Date, time, location, and directions to building, parking and room.
 - > Length of presentation.
 - > Specific topic and objectives to be addressed by guest.
 - > Topics that will be covered prior to and following the guest's presentation.
 - Class ground rules, format, and student behavior expectations.
 - Group's size, composition, and special characteristics.
 - Whether or not questions will be asked and answered.
 - Whether other guest speakers will be present and their topics or roles.
- ☐ Tell the guest speaker about the limitations on the presentation.
 - State laws regulating sex education/reproductive health.
 - > Topics and strategies approved and forbidden by the district.
 - > District policy on answering student questions.

Confirming a Guest Speaker:

- ☐ Verify the following information:
 - Ask if a meeting would be helpful.
 - Ask the speaker to provide a complete outline of the presentation and list of methods and materials to be used with students.
 - Ask what AV equipment, room arrangement, microphone, handouts, or materials will be needed for the presentation.
 - Ask if the speaker will want you to manage student behavior during the presentation, or if the speaker would rather do it.
 - > Ask if payment for travel expenses, fees, or honorariums will be expected.
 - Send a letter to the speaker to outline the details of your agreement. Keep a copy for yourself.

Implementing With a Guest Speaker:

- ☐ The day of the presentation:
 - Prepare the students for the guest by explaining what will happen.
 - Describe the behavior you expect from your students.
 - Introduce the speaker to the class.
 - > Remain in the class at all times.
 - Assist with classroom management.
 - Conduct a discussion about the presentation, focusing on your objectives.

Additional Video Classics

The following videos were included in the 1996 and 1999 versions of this resource guide and were not reviewed for the 2002 guide because of their publication dates. They are still used by a number of school districts, hence they have been included in this updated guide as an appendix.

Everything You Wanted to Know About Puberty...for Boys (1991)
16 Minutes
Disney Educational Productions
105 Terry Drive, Suite 120
Newtown, PA 18940
(800) 295-5010 ext. 7
Grades 4 and 5

This suspenseful story is about two boys who are looking for answers about puberty. It shares information about male reproductive anatomy, changes in puberty, and hygiene. It treats conversations about growing up in a relaxed manner and encourages communication with family members. This media should be used with Everything You Wanted to Know about Puberty...for Girls.

Everything You Wanted to Know About Puberty...for Girls (1991) 16 Minutes
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Grades 4 and 5

This engaging story about two girls who are learning about puberty shares information about menstruation, female reproductive anatomy, changes in puberty, and hygiene. It treats conversations about growing up in a relaxed manner and encourages communication with family members. This media should be used with Everything You Wanted to Know About Puberty....for Boys.

The New Improved Me: Understanding Body Changes (1991) 23 Minutes
Sunburst Communications
1900 South Batavia Avenue
Geneva, IL 60134
(800) 321-7511
Grades 5 and 6

This video covers the male and female reproductive systems and changes in puberty in a two-part presentation. The video reassures adolescents that variety in onset of puberty and rate of growth is normal. The media is available in two versions: one mentions masturbation, and one does not.