ALTERNATE DELIVERY OF CURRICULUM

Background

The purpose of this Administrative Procedure is to explain how students and their parents may, in consultation with their Principal, arrange for alternative delivery of instruction with regard to specific prescribed learning outcomes pertaining to reproduction and human sexuality within the Physical Health Education (PHE) and Career Life Education (CLE) curriculum. This Administrative Procedure does not apply to any other BC Curriculum.

The PHE and CLE curriculum include prescribed learning outcomes that some students and their parents may feel more comfortable addressing by means other than instruction by a teacher in a regular classroom setting.

In such instances, students with their parents' consent and in consultation with their Principal may arrange to address the prescribed learning outcomes by agreed upon alternative means.

Procedures

- 1. It is expected that students will, in consultation with their Principal, demonstrate their knowledge of the specific prescribed learning outcome(s) they have arranged to address by alternative means.
- 2. There are several ways in which principals can accommodate student and/or parent preference to address prescribed learning outcomes in the PHE and CLE curriculum by alternative means. Some examples include:
 - 2.1. Home instruction using a school-determined package of materials or other agreed upon materials;
 - 2.2. Online learning (formerly distance education/distance electronic learning);
 - 2.3. Self-directed studies, using the learning standards for this curriculum on the BC Ministry of Education website. website:
 - https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/sites/curriculum.gov.bc.ca/files/pdf/phe_learning_standard s.pdf and https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/curriculum/career-education/introduction
- 3. Principals may also invite parents to propose means for alternative delivery.

4. The Administrative Procedure applies only to the prescribed learning outcomes in the PHE and CLE curriculum relating to human sexuality, body parts, healthy relationships and mental wellbeing. The Administrative Procedure does not apply to any other prescribed learning outcomes in these Integrated Resource Packages (IRP) nor does it apply to any other provincial curriculum/IRP.

Reference: Sections 7, 8, 17, 20, 22, 65, 76, 85 School Act

Civil Rights Protection Act Human Rights Code

Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

School Regulation 265/89

Educational Program Guide Order M333/99

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