California Healthy Youth Act (2016) Curriculum Review Committee Update

California Healthy Youth Act (CHYA) 2016

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- Formerly known as California Comprehensive Sexual Health and HIV Prevention Education Act (2003).
- Renamed California Healthy Youth Act, took effect on January 1, 2016.
- ◆ The bill requires school districts to ensure that all pupils in grades 7-12, inclusive, receive comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education.

The California Healthy Youth Act has 5 primary purposes:

- 1. To provide pupils with the **knowledge and skills necessary to protect their sexual and reproductive health** from HIV and other sexually transmitted infections and from unintended pregnancy;
- 2. To provide pupils with the knowledge and skills they need to develop healthy attitudes concerning adolescent growth and development, body image, gender, sexual orientation, relationships, marriage, and family;
- 3. To promote understanding of sexuality as a normal part of human development;

The California Healthy Youth Act has 5 primary purposes:

- 4. To ensure pupils receive integrated, comprehensive, accurate, and unbiased sexual health and HIV prevention instruction and provide educators with clear tools and guidance to accomplish that end;
- 5. To provide pupils with the knowledge and skills necessary to have healthy, positive, and safe relationships and behaviors

Criteria Requirements:

- ◆ Be age appropriate
- Be medically accurate and objective
- Be appropriate for, equally available, and accessible to English language learners and pupils with disabilities

- Be appropriate for use with pupils of all races, genders, sexual orientations, ethnic and cultural backgrounds
- Instruction and materials shall not reflect or promote bias against any person

Criteria Requirements (contd.)

 Affirmatively recognize different sexual orientations and be inclusive of same-sex relationships in discussions Teach about gender, gender expression, gender identity, and the harm of negative gender stereotypes Encourage students to communicate with their parents or guardians and other trusted adults about human sexuality, and provide skills for doing so

Criteria Requirements (contd.)

- ◆ Teach the value of and prepare students to have and maintain committed relationships such as marriage
- Provide knowledge and skills for forming healthy relationships and are free from violence, coercion, and intimidation
- Provide knowledge and skills for making and implementing healthy decisions about sexuality including negotiation and refusal skills
- May not teach or promote religious doctrine

Curriculums

- Flash
- Rights, Respect, Responsibility
- Making Proud Choices
- Positive Prevention Plus
- Check the Facts
- UCI Curriculum

Curriculum Review Committee

- Public Lottery
- Committee Members
 - Teachers (Elementary, Middle)
 - District Staff
 - Parents (Elementary, Middle, High School)
 - Medical Professional/University Professor
 - District Nurses
 - Curriculum Council Member
 - District Advisory Council Member
 - Orange Community Council PTA
 - GATE Community Advisory Committee Member

Process

- Review Available Curriculums
 - Utilizing Compliance Assessment Tool (CAT)
- Curriculum Review Committee Deliberation
- Recommendation to Curriculum Council
- Implementation May 2020



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