Human Sexuality Policy

Bonneville Academy will abide by all Utah State Code and Administrative Rules regarding the teaching and curriculum at the school. Bonneville Academy will provide maturation programs for its fifth and sixth grade students and will teach components of human sexuality in its seventh and eighth grade Health Classes.

Bonneville Academy teachers are responsible to teach the values and information identified under Section 53A-13-101(4). They will follow all provisions of state law including parent/guardian notification and prior written parental consent requirements under Sections 76-7-322 and 76-7-323 in teaching any aspect of human sexuality. All teachers that will teach aspects of human sexuality will be required to attend state-sponsored professional development outlining the human sexuality curriculum and the criteria for human sexuality instruction in any courses offered in the public education system. Bonneville Academy will provide training consistent with R277-474-5A at least once during every three years of employment for its teachers/staff.

Course materials and instruction shall be free from religious, racial, ethnic, and gender bias.

Bonneville Academy shall create a committee consistent with R277-474-2B. The committee shall designate a chair and procedures and will review and approve all guest speakers and guest presenters and their respective material relating to human sexuality instruction in any course and maturation education prior to their presentations. The committee shall not authorize the use of any human sexuality instructional program or maturation education program not previously approved by the Board, approved consistent with R277-474-6, or approved under Section 53A-13-101(1)(c)(ii). The school director shall report educators who willfully violate the provisions of this rule to the Commission for investigation and possible discipline. Bonneville Academy will use the common parental notification form or a form that satisfies all criteria of the law and USBE Board rules, and comply with timelines approved by the USBE Board. Bonneville Academy will develop a logging and tracking system of parental and community complaints and comments resulting from student participation in human sexuality instruction, to include the disposition of the complaints, and provide that information to the USBE upon request.

If a student is exempted from course material required by the Board-approved Core Standards consistent with Sections 53A-13-101.2(1), (2) and (3), the school shall:

· waive the participation requirement; or
· provide a reasonable alternative to the requirement.

The following will not be taught at any level at Bonneville Academy:

· the intricacies of intercourse, sexual stimulation or erotic behavior;
· the advocacy of premarital or extramarital sexual activity; or
· the advocacy or encouragement of the use of contraceptive methods or devices.