



Message Sent to Caregivers on February 25th, 2026

Hello, this is a message from [School Name]. We would like to inform you about the upcoming implementation of the revised Ontario Curriculum: Health and Physical Education for Grades 1-8. The Human Development and Sexual Health component will be taught from March 23rd to May 1st, 2026.

It is important for your child to participate in this curriculum. However, if you wish to exempt your child from this instruction, please complete the exemption form available in the Parent Portal by March 13th, 2026. More information and resources can be found on the HWDSB website.

Teachers are required to teach and report on the curriculum provided by the Ministry of Education. Teaching and learning in all subject areas need to be inclusive, accepting, and free from discrimination. HWDSB is committed to fostering a culture of human rights, equity, and inclusion.

Communication regarding when and what Human Development and Sexual Health learning is occurring in the classroom will be shared with parents/caregivers, as per past practice. HWDSB remains committed to Ministry and Board plans and policies on equity and inclusion, ensuring all students and staff feel safe, supported, and accepted.

Thank you for your attention.