

## **POLICY**

Teaching *Human Sexuality* is a responsibility that schools share with the home. Consequently, parents must have input into programs offered through a review of the concepts to be taught and the teaching techniques and resources to be used.

Alberta Learning requires schools to offer a program to all students in grades four to twelve. In those instances where the parents do not wish their child to participate in *Human Sexuality*, an alternate activity will be provided.

The Assistant Superintendent and school principals are responsible for the administration of this policy.

## **GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES**

1. Well in advance of human sexuality being taught, all parents/guardians of students, will be invited to an information meeting to review the program objectives, concepts to be covered, teaching techniques and resource materials to be used.
2. Parent/guardian participation and permission in *Human Sexuality* will adhere to the following guidelines:
  - a. Elementary and junior high *Human Sexuality* requires that parents request that their child not participate in the program. Suitable alternative learning experiences will be provided.
  - b. For senior high students, CALM 20 (Career and Life Management) is compulsory for graduation either on a 3 or 5 credit basis. Only students whose parents have requested, in writing, that their child not participate in this program will be excused from the program. These students will be given alternative activities related to other aspects of the Health or CALM 20 Program.