FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION

The Rumson Board of Education directs the superintendent to coordinate the development of a family life curriculum which will be in compliance with New Jersey Administrative Code. The program will provide material suited to each grade level.

The curriculum will be developed with the active participation of teachers, administrators, parents and guardians, physicians, members of the clergy, and representative members of the community.

Further, the superintendent will insure that the curriculum developed is articulated with that of the Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School so that a smooth transition from elementary to secondary school will be accomplished for all students.

Any child whose parent or guardian presents to the school principal a signed statement that any part of the instruction in health or family life education is in conflict with his conscience or sincerely held moral or religious beliefs, will be excused from that portion of the course where such instruction is being given, and no penalties as to credit or graduation will result therefrom.

The board urges all parents to become familiar with these courses and to participate in their development. The parents of all children will receive annually an outline of the curriculum and a list of instructional materials for the grade level of their child; including notification about how to receive a copy of the curriculum.

The board of education alone, upon recommendation of the superintendent, will determine the content, sequence, and materials of family life education.

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Legal Reference: <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:35-4.6, 4.7, 4.8 <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6:29-7.1

"Parents Rights to Conscience Act of 1979" "Family Life Education Program"