

[DATE]

[PRINCIPAL'S NAME]

[SCHOOL, ADDRESS]

Re: [STUDENT NAME; OPT OUT REQUEST]

Dear [PRINCIPAL'S NAME]:

I am the parent/guardian of [STUDENT NAME]. I am hereby requesting that my student be excused from any health classes that include comprehensive sexuality education as provided by ORS 336.035Q) and OAR 581-022-1440(5).

I, the undersigned parent/guardian(s) have elected to invoke my parental rights under Federal and State Statutes and Case Law regarding the instruction of human sexuality or HIV/AIDS to my child(ren).

According to ORS 336.035(2), parents and guardians have the right to be notified in advance of any instruction on human sexuality or HIV/AIDS. My child(ren) is/are not to receive any instruction about human sexuality/HIV without prior notice and sufficient time to review all of the material/plan of instruction. This would include all school-wide programs and projects that address human sexuality or HIV/AIDS.

This expectation of prior notification includes human sexuality or HIV/AIDS content presented in any and all core/elective classes, at assemblies/presentations, school events, on field trips, by guest speakers, surveys given/offered, during extra-curricular activities and in conversations with school system employees and agents in any setting, on or off campus, while my child(ren) is/are in the care of the school.

In addition, it is understood that according to ORS 336.465, refusal to take part or participate in any class, course, survey, assembly or school-sponsored activity on human sexuality or HIV/AIDS shall not be reason for harassment, suspension or expulsion of a student.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Regards,

[PARENT/GUARDIAN]

\*Note to parents/guardians: For maximum legal protection, send this notice by certified mail. Keep a signed and dated copy for your records and give a copy to your attorney. After you submit this notice, do not sign any blanket permission slip offered by your school. All important communication with the schools should be in writing.