

Thank you for allowing me to share this with you today. I want to let you understand why I am against the “Comprehensive Sex Education” curriculum. We as parents and grandparents know that children absorb knowledge very quickly but in many cases they do not know how to process it. They do not know what is good for them or in the long run will hurt them. Because of this we teach in a way that gives them a little information first, put in context of good or bad, or healthy or not healthy and let them process for a while and then add the next thing. We do this with things like movies and TV. We even have ratings to help with this. We do not let them watch violent movies until we feel they can process it appropriately. We even use this approach when teaching outdoor skills. We teach them things we believe they can handle at different grade levels building up to full skills as they grow up. Even mathematics is taught this way. You don’t teach a 4<sup>th</sup> grader calculus, you build up to it with arithmetic, geometry, trigonometry, etc. over the years. All along the way we teach why what we teach is useful and how it fits into everyday life and supports our interactions with each other in a positive way.

This is not what “Comprehensive Sex Education” is doing. It is throwing all info all at once and is not guiding the students little by little to form healthy bonds with people before engaging in sexual acts. It is not allowing the parents to help guide their children in the morals they hold so dear. This will only confuse the child and foster an experimenting that does not respect the other. Just consenting or not consenting is not respect.

Also, why are you so ready to put this curriculum in our schools that is so untested? In literature we generally don’t teach books that have not withstood the test of time. We tried that with the new math in the 80’s which had no testing and in my opinion it was a waste of valuable time. If your books on the subject of sex are so helpful, why don’t you sell them to parents on Amazon or other platforms? Parents and grandparents are always looking for new ways to teach their children. You don’t because it wouldn’t sell. Why is it being forced into our schools? Please do not approve this measure.

Sincerely,

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