

Subject: NOTICE REGARDING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CURRICULUM ADOPTION

October 10, 2024

Dear, Parents/Guardians:

The Coolidge Unified School District wishes to create the greatest possible opportunity for healthy youth. Pinal County Public Health Healthy Teen Initiative Program has received a contract through the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) to provide evidence-based reproductive health education curriculum through the Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program, Title V State SSRAE. The Healthy Teen Initiative Program is funded by the Arizona Department of Health Services (AZDHS) serving youth ages 11-19 with a focus on teens ages 15-17. The overarching goal of ADHS - Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (TVSSRAE) funding is to both promote abstinence as the 100% sure way to prevent a pregnancy or an STD/STI and provide a comprehensive reproductive health education that discusses ways students can negotiate and protect themselves whether they need the information now or in the future.

Recent legislation provides parents with an opportunity to participate in, review, and provide input on any proposed sexual health education course of study. In addition, parents wishing to allow their children the opportunity to participate would need to opt-in to the program by providing written permission to receive any instruction, learning materials or presentations in a program related to sexuality.

Parents and/or guardians are invited to join a question-and-answer session and speak to the Pinal County Healthy Teen Initiative team leading the program. Parent Informational Meetings will be scheduled and both meetings will be held in a virtual format. Dates and times will be communicated along with links to the meetings once they are scheduled.

Once Parent Informational Meetings are complete, the curriculum will be available for parental review, both online and in-person for at least 60 days before any instruction is offered. Instruction will only be provided to students in grades 7 and 9 whose parents and/or guardians have a signed consent form, as this is an opt-in only program. Students without parental consent to participate will receive an alternate lesson or activity in a different room.

A hard copy of the Making Proud Choices curriculum will be available at the Coolidge Unified School District office for at least 60 days if you would like to review the curriculum. An online version of the curriculum is also available and will be posted on the CUSD website at www.coolidgeschools.org. You may call the Coolidge Unified School District Office to set an appointment to view the curriculum.

You can also visit the developer's webpages at: [Making Proud Choices \(High School\)](#)

Making A Difference <https://www.etr.org/sample/?c=madreg&p=1> (Middle School)

Please do not forward this link. At this time, we are only seeking curriculum feedback from parents of students attending Coolidge Junior High and Coolidge High School.

Instructions for accessing both curricula online:

1. Type into search engine the address as listed above. ETR Preview the Program page will appear.
2. Complete basic demographic information
 - *Place the name of the school that the student is attending
 - *Create a password according to the password criteria.
3. Once password is created and accepted a page will appear

*Click “You can access this subscription now [by clicking here.](#)

4. My subscription page will appear:

*Click on Making Proud Choices Sample or Making A Difference

5. Making Proud Choices and Making A Difference digital 30 Day Sample Access will appear.

Click on view instructor guide. Making Proud Choices of Making A Difference facilitator curriculum will appear
Click on curriculum and start viewing

Subscription can only be accessed for 30 days only!!

Information regarding this program can be provided by contacting Pinal County Healthy Teen Initiative Program,
Adolescent Health Manager:

Eureka.King@pinal.gov, (520)866-7309

Sincerely,

Dawn Dee Hodge
Superintendent