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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Over the past several weeks, there have been several questions about Public Act 102/522, which became commonly known as the "Sex Education Bill", from parents concerned about how this bill affects Prairie Central students and the curriculum we offer. This memo is written so that everyone will have accurate information on this matter.

The Prairie Central Board of Education did not adopt policies regarding sex education curriculum standards in our schools. Because Prairie Central schools did not have an existing sex education curriculum, the District did not have to adopt these standards. This being said, the District will not change or add any sex education curriculum at any level. In short, the bill had NO effect on our schools.


Also, because there have been several questions about Critical Race Theory being taught in schools, it is pertinent to address this as well. Prairie Central Schools do not teach Critical Race Theory. What is taught in our schools is respect, caring, and kindness to all others regardless of their race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or any other identifying factor. We simply teach the "golden rule".

Finally, to address a very absurd rumor that has been passed around recently, there are no kitty litter boxes in any Prairie Central schools, nor will there be.

I truly hope this information will help ease some concerns we have heard. As always, please feel free to email or call with questions any time. I am very happy to help clear things up for you.

Have a wonderful day!

Sincerely,



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