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Van Buren Public Schools Health Education Advisory Board

Two Year Report on Achievement of Goals and Objectives

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Background Information

In June of 2004, the Michigan state legislators passed Public Acts 165 and 166 which modified Michigan laws related to sex education in public schools. Public Acts 165 and 166 outline the planning, training, and implementation mandates for HIV/AIDS and sex education (PA 165 of 2004) and a parent compliant process (PA 166 of 2004).

These acts stipulate the make-up of each district's Health Advisory Board as well as their roles and responsibilities. Part of the role of the Sex Education Advisory Board is to:

- ◆ *Establish program goals and objectives for pupil knowledge and skills that are likely to reduce the rates of sex, pregnancy, and sexually transmitted diseases; and*
- ◆ *At least once every 2 years, evaluate, measure, and report the attainment of program goals and objectives established under subdivision (a). The board of a school district shall make the resulting report available to parents in the school district. §380.1507*

Public Acts 165 and 166 also stipulate that school districts are required to teach about dangerous communicable diseases, including but not limited to, HIV/AIDS. §380.1169 HIV/AIDS must be offered at least once a year at every building level (elementary, middle/junior, senior high) and each person who teaches K-12 pupils about HIV/AIDS shall have training in HIV and AIDS education for young people. §380.1169

Approved Goals, Objectives, and Curricula

The Board of Education has approved the curriculum for the K-12 program of instruction in HIV/AIDS, reproductive health, and sex education. The goals and objectives are aligned with state laws and the State Board of Education Policy.

Goal:

To equip students with the knowledge and skills to develop healthy relationships and to avoid sexual behaviors that put them at risk for HIV, STDs, and unintended pregnancy.

Objectives:

At the end of the K-12 HIV/STD and sex education program of instruction, students will be able to:

- Analyze characteristics of healthy and unhealthy relationships.
- Evaluate positive and negative influences on sexual decisions.
- Evaluate the possible emotional, physical, and legal consequences of early sexual activity.
- Advocate for abstinence as the only 100% effective way to avoid pregnancy, HIV and STDs.
- Accurately assess their risks for HIV, other STDs, and pregnancy.
- Demonstrate effective skills for avoiding or escaping risky sexual situations.
- Demonstrate effective skills to access and correctly use condoms and other risk reduction methods.
- Communicate with parents and other trusted adults regarding reproductive health, relationships, and sexual decisions.
- Seek additional information, support, and services as needed.

Outcomes:

The Van Buren Public Schools (VBPS) Health Education Advisory Board has reviewed and recommended and the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education has approved the following curricula for implementation with students at each of the building levels.

Grades 9 - 12: District approved reproductive Health Curriculum – 4 week unit.

The approved curriculum is implemented by health education teachers at Belleville High School.

	Total School Enrollment	Students in Grades 9-12 Health Course	Number of 9-12 Grade Health Sections
Belleville High School 14-15	1704	295	7
Belleville High School 15-16	1658	363	9

Each VBPS teacher responsible for implementing the sex education program at BHS has the appropriate certifications and endorsements required to teach health, has received training about HIV/AIDS, and has attended training offered by Wayne RESA in sex education and in the curriculum they are responsible for teaching.

Preparation for Program Evaluation

On September 2011 the Van Buren Public Schools Health Education Advisory Board met and approved a recommendation to evaluate our program with a pre- and post-test.

Pretest – Posttest Assessments were developed from the research based question banks included in the Board approved curriculum materials.

The pre- and post-test instruments for grades 9 – 12 were submitted and approved by the Health Education Advisory Board during the May 2011 meeting.

Evaluations Results

The district results of the pre- and post-tests are as follows:

HIV/STD Data

High School	Pre-test	Post-test	Change
Mean score for all questions 14-15	18%	82%	64%
Mean score for all questions 15-16	35%	79%	44%

Overall, the pre- test data indicated that students lacked foundational knowledge of topics covered in the approved HIV and sex education course content. The mean score climbed 44% from the pre-test to the post- test, indicating that the instructional program significantly increased students' knowledge and decision making skills.

Next Steps

Each June, the final test results will be collected and analyzed. The test results will be reviewed with the teachers each fall to determine if any curriculum alignment or test revision needs to occur.

Accessing the Results

Additional copies of this report are available at the Office of Curriculum, 555 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville, MI or on the Health Advisory Committee page located on the Van Buren Public Schools website, www.vanburenschools.net under the Office of Instruction tab.