

# HCPS Family Life Education Citizens Advisory Committee

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# HCPS Family Life Education Citizens Advisory Committee

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## Committee Overview:

- This committee discusses and reviews the Family Life Education Curriculum and alignment to the MSDE comprehensive health education framework.

# Family Life Education CAC Member Composition 2023-2024

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**Committee Chairperson**

**Board Members**

**School System Staff  
Coordinators**

**Parents/Guardians of HCPS  
Students**

**Harford County Community  
Members**

**HCPS Health Education  
Teachers**

# HCPS Family Life and Human Sexuality

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- Is a component of the comprehensive health education curriculum for Harford County Public Schools
- Includes requirements identified in the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR 13A.04.18.01)
- Is aligned with Maryland State Department of Education Comprehensive Health Education Framework

# Committee Charge

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Review and comment on instructional materials for the Family Life and Human Sexuality Education program in grades 5 – 12, in relation to compliance with the State Standards for Comprehensive Health Education.

# Review Criteria

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Appropriateness

Authenticity

Content

Design

Interest

Need

Presentation

Utilization

# Response to Committee Charge

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Reviewed and provided comment on updates to the Health 8 Sexting Lesson resources

## MSDE Standard Alignment:

**1c.8.19:** Analyze the negative consequences of sending sexually explicit pictures or messages by e-mail or cell phone or posting sexually explicit pictures on social media.

# Response to Committee Charge

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Reviewed and provided comment on updates to the Health I Healthy Relationships Lesson resources

## MSDE Standard Alignment:

1c.HS1.2: Summarize the importance of talking with parents and other trusted adults about issues related to relationships, growth, and development, sexual decision-making, and sexual health.



# Response to Committee Charge

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Reviewed and provided comment on updates to the Health 8, Health I, and Health II contraceptive lesson

## MSDE Standard Alignment:

**Grade 8 - 1c.8.12:** Summarize the importance of talking with parents and other trusted adults about issues related to relationships, growth, and development, sexual decision-making, and sexual health.

**Health I & Health II - 1c.HS1.15:** Compare and contrast types of contraceptive and disease-prevention methods.

# Committee Celebrations

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Focused Collaboration and Discussion

Selection of  
Committee  
Chairperson

Committee  
feedback on family  
life education  
resources and  
materials

Panel of students  
shared perspectives  
of the family life  
education program

# Questions and Comments

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