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February 2, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians of Fifth Grade Students:

The Chippewa Valley Schools’ health curriculum for fifth grade includes a lesson on maturation and a separate lesson on HIV/AIDS. Under Public Act 15 of 1987, schools are required to teach the HIV/AIDS curriculum. All videos and materials have been approved by the Chippewa Valley Reproductive Health Advisory Board.

The maturation lesson focuses on the changes in boys and in girls that occur in adolescence due to puberty. During this lesson, boys and girls are separated for instruction; however, they both will be viewing the same video which explains the maturation process for both genders. The maturation lesson will be taught on **Wednesday,** **February 24, 2021 (A group) & Thursday, February 25th (B group) from 12:38-1:40 PM.** Mr Sunje, will be teaching our boys; Mrs. Roddy, and Ms. Laichalk will be teaching our girls.

Our lesson on HIV/AIDs will take place **on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 (A group) and Thursday, March 4th (B group) from 12:38 – 1:40 PM.** For this lesson, boys and girls remain together and will be taught by their classroom teachers. The HIV/AIDS lesson explains how the virus is transmitted and damages the immune system, along with ways to prevent it from being spread to others.

You may preview the maturation video, ***Always Changing® and Growing Up—Co-Ed***, fifth grade co-ed version at <http://www.pgschoolprograms.com/parents.php> . The web site is sponsored by Procter and Gamble. The video is under the *For Parents* tab and is available year-round. Also, informational materials for parents can be downloaded from the website.

If you wish to preview the 5th Grade HIV AND AIDS video, please go to <https://chippewavalley-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/personal/swhite01_cvs_k12_mi_us/EbKsDIlNZL1Ds_jl6YyzTrEB6pVApb6MTbN90O2fvYxckw?e=29wgtx>.

Use the password **cvsparent5** to view the video.

Materials that accompany the lessons will be sent home and we encourage you to have your child share what he/she has learned after each of these lessons. Please contact us if you have any further questions.

State law allows you to excuse your child from participation in both lessons. If you do not want your child to participate, please complete the form below, detach, and return only that portion to your child’s teacher by ***Thursday, February 11, 2021.***

Sincerely,

Niyoka Wright

Principal

**FIFTH GRADE Maturation and HIV/AIDS lesson– to OPT OUT please return by February 11, 2021**

I do not wish to have my child participate in the fifth grade Maturation lesson.

I do not wish to have my child participate in the fifth grade HIV/AIDS lesson.

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Parent/Guardian Signature Student Name PRINT Teacher Name