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Dear Parent/Guardian,

This letter is to inform you of two Florida State Board of Education rules related to required instruction in health education topics for students in Grades K-5. These rules are: Rule 6A-1.094122., F.A.C. – Substance Use and Abuse Prevention Education and Rule 6A-1.094123., F.A.C. – Child Trafficking Prevention Education. A summary of each of these rules may be found on the back of this letter.

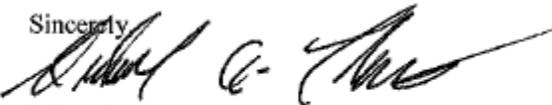
To meet the mandatory state education requirements for Substance Use and Abuse Prevention and Child Trafficking Prevention Education, our school district is utilizing a program called Suite 360 Prevention. This program, developed by Evolution Labs, contains lessons created by experts in the field and cover grade level mandated topics in an appropriate interactive manner. Each topic has one 25-30 minute lesson, facilitated by the classroom teacher. Once the lessons are completed, students will receive a take home resource for the Substance Use and Abuse Prevention lesson and the Child Trafficking “Staying Safe” lesson, so parents can read about the information covered in class and review the lessons with their child.

For more specific information on these new requirements, you can go to the following links to access the memorandums issued by the Florida Department of Education. This information may also be found on the district and school websites.

It is important to note and reiterate that this requirement is mandated by the Florida State Board of Education, and these lessons will be presented to all elementary students in our district, including students participating in remote and virtual learning.

<https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8691/DPS%202019-134.pdf>

<https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8645/DPS%202019-133%20Memo.pdf>

Sincerely,  
  
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Vision: Our Students Will Be Productive, Successful Contributors to Society*

**Rule 6A-1.094122., F.A.C. - Substance Use and Abuse Prevention Education**

This rule was approved by the State Board of Education on August 21, 2019. It requires school districts to annually provide instruction to students in grades K-12 related to youth substance use and abuse health education, and institutes procedures for school districts to document planning and delivery of instruction. Substance use and abuse health education should advance each year through developmentally appropriate instruction and skill building using the adopted health education standards.

**Rule 6A-1.094123., F.A.C. – Child Trafficking Prevention Education**

This rule was approved by the State Board of Education on September 20, 2019. It requires school districts to annually provide instruction to students in grades K-12 related to child trafficking prevention and awareness, and institutes procedures for school districts to document planning and delivery of instruction. The child trafficking prevention education should advance each year through developmentally appropriate instruction and skill building using the adopted health education standards.

