

 KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Legislative Bill	Blue Bill # HB 17						
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1 An act to mandate all Kentucky Public Schools teach sexuality education and instruction in infectious
2 diseases.
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4 **Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky**
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6 Section 1: Students in grades six through twelve must receive instruction at least once annually. Kentucky
7 does not suggest or recommend a curriculum; however, state law does provide specific guidelines that
8 communities must follow when creating an education plan. The plan must be developed locally by community
9 members who are knowledgeable of the latest scientific information and effective education strategies
10 approved by local school boards, and reviewed biennially in accordance with new scientific information.
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12 Section 2: The curriculum must:

- 13 • Teach abstinence for school-age youth and mutually monogamous relationships as the safest way to
- 14 prevent STDs and unintended pregnancy; however, abstinence must not be taught to the exclusion of
- 15 other material and instruction on contraceptive and disease reduction measures.
- 16 • Be medically accurate and age-appropriate.
- 17 • Provide the latest medical information regarding the success and failure rates of all forms of
- 18 contraception, including emergency contraception.
- 19 • Inform students the ways to obtain the different forms of contraceptives.
- 20 • Use culturally and gender-sensitive materials, language, and strategies that recognize different sexual
- 21 orientations and gender identities.
- 22 • Enhance students' understanding of sexuality as a normal and healthy part of human development.
- 23 • Validate through course material and instruction the importance of honesty with oneself and others,
- 24 respect for each person's dignity and well-being, and responsibility for one's actions.
- 25 • Teach effective communication and refusal skills, as well as the development of self-esteem.
- 26 • Be presented in a manner sensitive to the fact that there are students who have experienced sexual
- 27 abuse and that does not devalue or ignore students who have engaged in sexual intercourse.
- 28 • Teach students about their consent in sexual activity.

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30 Section 3: Schools can offer to have an "opt-out" policy and give parents or guardians the option to remove
31 their child from sexuality education and/or STD/HIV education classes.
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33 Section 4: This bill will be enacted the school year of 2014-2015.