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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am writing to update you regarding the new 2020 New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Comprehensive Health and Physical Education. As discussed previously, we are hard at work finalizing our curriculum for the 2022-2023 school year and are close to completion. We have fortunately advanced to the point in our revision process where we are able to share some more definitive timelines and some sample lessons/curricula concerning the standards that have been discussed during our board of education meetings. This information can be found on this document immediately following this letter. Additionally, we will be having a discussion regarding these updates during our Board of Education work session on September 8th, 2022 at 7:00 pm. As always, I appreciate your patience as we work towards incorporating these state-mandated standards into our curricula.

Sincerely,

Vincent Gagliostro
Director of Curriculum & Instruction/
Walnut Ridge Principal

New Jersey Student Learning Standards Comprehensive Health & Physical Education Update

Vernon Township School District

[New Jersey Student Learning Standards in Comprehensive Health & Physical Education 2014 vs. 2020 Crosswalk](#)

Grade 2:

- Timeline:
 - The last week of the 3rd marking period. An update will be sent out from the school when closer to the lessons with opt-out forms and definitive dates after taking snow days and lesson pacing into account.
- Standard Covering Lessons:
 - *The videos covering these standards would be watched as a class with the Phys Ed teacher. Immediately following the video a 5-minute teacher-led discussion will occur and then the students will move on to their Phys ed class in the gymnasium.*
 - [Anatomy](#)
 - [Reproduction](#)
 - [Gender](#)

Grade 5:

- Timeline:
 - The last week of the 3rd marking period. An update will be sent out from the school when closer to the lessons with opt-out forms and definitive dates after taking snow days and lesson pacing into account.
- Standard covering Lessons:
 - *The lessons covering these standards occur during the student's regularly scheduled health class.*
 - ["The Puberty Workshop" Website](#)
- Curricular Documents
 - ["The Puberty Workshop" Introduction](#)
 - ["The Puberty Workshop" Curriculum Overview](#)
 - ["The Puberty Workshop" Video Topic Menu](#)

Grade 8:

- Timeline:
 - The last 2 weeks of either marking period 2 or marking period 3 (dependent upon the scheduled teacher). As such, an update will be sent out from the school when closer to the lessons with opt-out forms and definitive dates after taking snow days and lesson pacing into account.

- Standard covering Lessons:
 - *The lessons covering these standards will occur during the student's regularly scheduled health class and the "CAP" program.*
 - [Amaze gender identity video](#)
 - [STD PowerPoint](#)

- Curricular Documents
 - [Glen Meadow Health Overview](#)