



Meeting the needs of every learner, every day.

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Greetings, McFarland Families!

The School District of McFarland is proud of the collaborative partnership between and among our educators and families – a partnership that supports a comprehensive approach to our Human Growth and Development (HGD) curriculum. During the 2023-24 school year, a community committee reviewed, revised and updated the HGD curriculum guide that is available to you [online](#). That committee wrote a mission, vision and set of belief statements to guide our work:

Mission

To provide medically accurate and comprehensive knowledge-based curriculum and instruction in human growth and development as an essential component of each learner's 4K-12 education.

Vision

Human growth and development curriculum and instruction aims to provide the knowledge, skills and resources necessary to promote responsible decision-making.

Beliefs (supporting statements to inform our decisions)

1. The McFarland School District and community human growth and development committee believe the human growth and development curriculum:
2. Is a collective effort of trusted adults and school staff to provide guidance to all learners.
3. Supports learners in working toward optimal mental, emotional, social, physical health and well-being.
4. Educates learners to respect themselves and others.
5. Promotes understanding human sexuality as fundamental to overall health and well-being.

The HGD Curriculum Guide includes a wealth of resources for families, including grade-level objectives. We hope you will find a moment to review the contents of this document and that you feel welcome to contact either your student's principal or me with any questions you may have.

If after reviewing this information you wish to have your student exempted from portions of the curriculum, please follow the instructions on the Student Opt-Out Form found on page 24 of the HGD curriculum guide. Thank you for your partnership with us in educating your child.

Best wishes for a healthy and happy school year,

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