

## PUNGGOL SECONDARY SCHOOL 培道中学

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Dear Parents/ Guardians

## **MOE Sexuality Education in Schools**

Sexuality Education (SEd) in schools aims to enable students to understand the physiological, social and emotional changes they experience as they mature, develop healthy and rewarding relationships with others, including those with members of the opposite sex, and make wise, informed and responsible decisions on sexuality matters. SEd is premised on the importance of the family as the basic unit of society. This means encouraging healthy, heterosexual marriages and stable nuclear family units with extended family support. The teaching and learning of SEd is based on respect for the values and beliefs of the different ethnic and religious communities in Singapore on sexuality issues.

- 2. The Goals of Sexuality Education are:
  - (a) Support students in managing their physiological, social and emotional changes as they grow up and develop safe and healthy relationships.
  - (b) Guide students to make wise, informed and responsible decisions on sexuality matters.
  - (c) Help students develop a moral compass and respect for themselves and others by having positive mainstream values and attitudes about sexuality that are premised on the family as the basic unit of society.
- 3. The Key Messages of Sexuality Education are:
  - (a) Love and respect yourself as you love and respect others;
  - (b) Build positive relationships based on love and respect (which are the foundation for strong families);
  - (c) Make responsible decisions for yourself, your family and society; and
  - (d) Abstinence before marriage is the best protection against STIs/HIV and unintended pregnancies. Casual sex can harm and hurt you and your loved ones.
- 4. Please visit the school's Sexuality Education webpage for more information on MOE Sexuality Education Programme for 2024.

5. This programme is on an opt-out basis. Hence, please indicate according only if you would like to <u>opt your child/ward out of the sexuality education programme.</u>

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Valerie Tng Principal

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<u>Annex A</u>

[Parent Opt-out Form – This section is applicable <u>only</u> if parents/guardians wish to opt
their child/ward out of the Sexuality Education.]

Date	:				
Pare	nt/Gu	ardian's Name & Signati	ure:		
Child/Ward's name: Class:				_	
Dear	<sup>.</sup> Prin	cipal			
		SEXUALI	TY EDUCATION FOR YEAR 2024		
1.	١v	ould like to withdraw my	child,, of		
			(full name of child/ward)		
	(	class of child)	Sexuality Education Lessons for 2024.		
2.	My	reason(s) for my decisior	to opt my child/ward out of the programme:		
		Religious reasons. Plea	ase state religion:		
		My child/ward is too yo	ung.		
		I would like to personal	ly educate my child/ward on sexuality matters.		
		I do not think it is impo	tant for my child/ward to attend Sexuality Education.		
	□ I have previously taught my child/ward the topics in the Sexuality Educate				
		Lessons for this year.			
	I am not comfortable with the topics covered in the Sexuality Education			S	
		for this year.			
		Others:			
3.	Thank you.				
Pare	ent/Gi	ıardian's Name & Signati	ure Contact No. (mobile)		

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