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THE NEISD DECIDES MIDDLE SCHOOLERS ARE READY TO PLAY RUSSIAN ROULETTE

MAY 9, 2016, THE NORTHEAST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (NEISD) VOTED TO HAND EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS A LOADED GUN FOR A GAME OF RUSSION ROULETTE. No, not literally, but their decision to replace current sex education curriculum with “Draw the Line/Respect the Line” (DTL/RTL) amounts to the same lack of judgment of handing an eight grader a loaded gun. Worse the decision demonstrates a willingness, to not only abandon proper education on sex, but a commitment to provide miseducation to the students in their charge on the topic of sex.

To begin with, sixth, seventh, and eighth graders are not mature enough or ready for sex. They aren’t prepared or ready for the unintended consequences of sex. Beyond the obvious possibility of a pre-teen or teen pregnancy, there are many consequences including emotional harm, physical risk for STDs (many which are lifelong and incurable), and behavioral risk such as a devaluing and objectification of the opposite sex and a normalizing of promiscuity resulting in inhibiting their future ability to form committed sexual relationships. The NEISD are ignoring all of the harms by choosing a curriculum which foundational puts the responsibility on the child to determine whether or not sex is right for them because in the DTL/RTL curriculum, the child’s decision is paramount and mutual consent is all that is needed for sex with another to be permissible.

The NEISD’s argument and justification will be that some children are going to have sex, so we need to teach them how to have less risky and safer sex. Under this premise the NEISD ought to teach children how to drink and use drugs because some of the children are going to drink and use drugs. Perhaps the NEISD should add a section on substance abuse to their health curriculum detailing ways to “safely” use a beer bong or on the necessity of clean needles when shooting up heroin? Would any reasonable person suggest a curriculum in health teaching children that drug use was their choice and if they choose to use drugs they need to use them safely?

Yet, that is exactly the same reasoning that believes it is possible to educate children to have sex safely. Condoms do not make sex safe for children. Condoms MAY prevent pregnancy. Condoms MAY protect against an STD. But condoms do not protect against the long-term harm of early sexual involvement or the immediate emotional scars or the creation of a culture bent toward promiscuity and incapable of committed sexual relationships.

Further, condom failure rates demonstrate that they don’t always prevent pregnancy or protect against STDs. This is one reason that pre-teens and teens are one of the largest customer bases for Planned Parenthood. The reason why Planned Parenthood and their sister organization Healthy Futures welcome curriculum such as DTL/RTL and influenced the Student Health Advisory Council (SHAC) for the NEISD to promote the curriculum is the guarantee of future customers in need of their services.

The students of the NEISD deserve a better education. They deserve to know they aren’t ready to choose sex. Children in the NEISD schools need to be taught to value their bodies and their sexuality. Lessons in morals, virtues and character ought to be taught to them. The virtue of virginity ought to be extolled. The negative consequences of child sexuality ought to be taught and the statistical truth that those who wait until marriage are more sexually fulfilled and happy ought to be promoted.



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This is not what the NEISD has chosen to do. To the detriment of our children the district has handed the children a gun, and invited them to pull trigger. The children will follow your advice and the condom won't stop every bullet or prevent every disease. Further they will not protect against any of the nonphysical harms whatsoever.

The NEISD Board and SHAC are responsible for those who get "shot" because you chose to arm them instead of educate them. Further you also bear responsibility for the lives of those lost to your partner in crime, Planned Parenthood because of your decision. Make no mistake you have chosen to play Russian Roulette with our children and somebody will be killed and that is on you.