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The Kuna Joint School District No. 3 recognizes its responsibility to give students correct information and encourage independent decision-making skills. In teaching students about human sexuality and the dangers of sexually transmitted diseases, the entire scope of the student's life needs to be acknowledged. The decisions students make will affect their social, emotional, physical, and psychological well-being.

The students will be guided, through age-appropriate curriculum, to develop a healthy, positive respect for themselves and others. In the progression of this curriculum, the students will learn about friendship, dating relationships, the family unit, human reproduction, parenting, and the consequences and responsibilities of adolescent sexual activity. All curriculum will be directed toward abstinence based education. The students should also be able to recognize the pressures from their peers and the media in making decisions that will affect their lives.

The school district will help answer questions students may have concerning "safer sex," but always refer to abstinence as the only completely effective way to prevent pregnancies and the spread of HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases.

We believe the primary responsibility for family life and sex education, including moral responsibility, rests upon the home and the church. The schools can only complement and supplement those standards established by the family.

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LEGAL REFERENCE:

Idaho Code Sections 33-1608 33-1609

33-1610 33-1611

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (2001)

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