

ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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EGUSD PREVIEWS NEW SCIENCE AND HEALTH CURRICULUM

Curriculum Aims to Focus on the Newly Proposed Kindergarten-5th Grade Science, Middle School Comprehensive Sexual Health, and High School Health Instructional Materials

ELK GROVE, Calif. – February 10, 2021 – The Elk Grove Unified School District invites parents and community members to preview and provide feedback on the newly proposed Kindergarten-5th grade Science, middle school Comprehensive Sexual Health, and high school Health instructional materials currently under consideration for EGUSD adoption. The District’s review process, which includes teachers piloting the proposed materials, began in October and is scheduled to be completed by March with concurrent community preview opportunities.

Proposed instructional materials for K-5th grade Science were reviewed, evaluated, and selected by the California State Board of Education. As a standalone unit of instruction rather than a course of study, comprehensive sexual health instructional materials should comply with the California Healthy Youth Act and curriculum selection guidance provided by the California State Board. Regarding 9th-12th grade materials, the California State Board of Education does not provide a recommended list of instructional materials. Once the review process is complete, in accordance with district Board Policy, District staff will compile stakeholder feedback and bring forward a recommendation to the Board of Education in March and April 2021.

Instructional materials will be available for preview on the EGUSD website through February 28, 2021. Parents and community members are welcome to provide feedback using the digital forms provided.

Instructional Materials

Grade/Course	1st Pilot Program/Publisher	2nd Pilot Program/Publisher
Grades K-5 Science	Twig Science	Amplify Science
Grades 7-8 Comprehensive Sexual Health (science classes)	Goodheart-Willcox Healthy Youth Development: Human Sexuality for Middle School CHYA	N/A
Grades 9-12 Health	Savvas Health	McGraw-Hill Glencoe Health

Additionally, parents and community members can attend live webinars to learn more about the Health and Comprehensive Sexual Health programs beginning Wednesday, February 10, 2021. Registration links can be found on the EGUSD website.

Publisher	Overview of Curriculum	Overview of Human Sexuality Component
Goodheart-Willcox for Middle School CHYA	N/A	Tuesday, February 16, 2021 6:00-7:00pm
Savvas Health	Wednesday, February 10, 2021 6:00-7:00pm	Wednesday, February 17, 2021 6:00-7:00pm
McGraw-Hill Glencoe Health	Thursday, February 11, 2021 6:00-7:00pm	Thursday, February 18, 2021 6:00-7:00pm

About the Elk Grove Unified School District

The [Elk Grove Unified School District](#) (EGUSD) is the fifth-largest school district in California located in southern Sacramento County. EGUSD covers 320 square miles and includes 67 schools: 42 elementary schools, nine middle schools, nine high schools, five alternative education schools, an adult school, one charter school and a virtual academy. Offering a multitude of educational programs, including over 70 career-themed academies and pathways within 15 industry sectors, we prepare our students for college and career by supporting them with the means to be creative problem solvers; self-aware, self-reliant, and self-disciplined;

technically literate; effective communicators and collaborators; and engaged in the community as individuals with integrity. We integrate rigorous academics with career-based learning and real world workplace experiences and ensure that *Every Student is Learning, in Every Classroom, in Every Subject, Every Day to Prepare College, Career and Life Ready Graduates.*

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