Series 5000: Students, Curriculum, and Academic Matters

5400 Curriculum, Instruction, and Parent Involvement

5407-F Instructional Materials Opt-Out Form (Not Sex Education, Family Planning, and/or Reproductive Health)

[District Name] uses a variety of instructional materials to achieve academic objectives, follow state content and curriculum standards, and ensure students are exposed to a wide range of ideas and viewpoints. While the District strives to select materials that are inclusive for all students and acceptable to all families, there may be times when a Parent or student objects to certain materials. In these circumstances, a Parent may request their student's excusal from the instructional material. Opt-out requests will be reviewed using the procedure in Policy 5407.

If you are seeking to opt your student out of sex education, family planning, and/or reproductive health instruction, do not use this form. Please follow the procedures described in Policy 5420.

I request that my child, _____, be excused from the following class instruction: _____

_____

Please list the specific curricular material, lesson, or book from which you are seeking excusal. Failure to provide specific information will result in this request being denied.

Reason for opt-out:

☐ The materials require the student to engage in conduct or practice that violates or substantially interferes with the student's sincerely held religious belief and/or religious development. Specific religious objection: _____

☐ The materials lack serious educational, literary, artistic, political, or scientific value for the age range of the students in question.

☐ The materials are inappropriate or harmful for the age range of the students in question.

☐ Other. Specific objection: _____

This form must be used for all opt-out requests, excluding sex education, family planning, and/or reproductive health instruction. Failure to use this form or to fully complete this form will result in the request being denied.

Parent's Name (Print): _____ _____
Date

Parent's Signature: _____

Principal Response:

☐ Granted

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☐ Denied (provide denial rationale): _____

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