

ALL About Life

To Parents & Guardians:

Introducing *All About Life* Health Unit

Dear Families,

I hope you are well. I am writing to let you know that we will begin our All About Life unit this school year. I want to let you know about it for three reasons.

First, some of you saw these materials at open house night. If you didn't, I want to invite you to look at them online: <http://www.eriesd.org/domain/50> or to contact the district and preview them now. Contact Pamela Wiley, Health and PE Facilitator, at pwiley@eriesd.org.

Second, I hope to partner with you. I would encourage you to discuss these issues at home, too. **This curriculum is based upon our basic human values:** truth, equality, honesty, dignity, self-respect, responsibility, and respect for others. It is intended to be inclusive of all families in the community. We know that parents and families provide the most important family life education for their children.

Your child may bring home **Family Homework** assignments to do with an adult in the family (however he or she defines "family"). These assignments are optional and confidential. Students will NOT be asked to report back what you have discussed. The purpose of these assignments is to encourage you to communicate with one another. It's a chance to discuss your cultural or religious beliefs and your personal feelings about basic human values. If more than one adult in the family wants to participate in this assignment that is great. You may want to take turns, so the student gets special time with each adult.

Finally, if you're considering excusing your child from the unit please call me and let's talk about it. If you decide not to have your child participate in the unit, or in particular lessons, you can get our districts opt out letter from the Erie's Public School Health and Physical Education School Wire site at <http://www.eriesd.org/domain/50>

Please give me a call if you have any questions. I would be glad to talk.

Sincerely,

name title

email address

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