

## COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Board of Education of the Pitt County Schools is committed to a quality, comprehensive health education program that provides students with accurate information and encourages them to be responsible for their own health and behavior. The Board recognizes its responsibility to prepare students to be literate in the area of health. Health literacy is the capacity of individuals to obtain, interpret, and understand basic health information and services and to develop the competencies to use such information and services to enhance health.\*

The Board recognizes the primary role of parents in providing for the health and well-being of their children and seeks to involve parents in the schools. Health education as provided by Pitt County Schools will meet all requirements established by law.

A comprehensive health education program will be taught to students from kindergarten through ninth grade according to the Public Schools of North Carolina *Healthful Living Standard Course of Study*.

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**Legal References:** G.S. 115C art. 9; 115C-36, -81(e1); State Board of Education Policies GCS-D-000, GCS-F-007; *Policies Governing Services for Children with Disabilities*

**Cross References:** Policy 9.212 (Reproductive Health and Safety Education)