MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The following is an outline of the units covered this year in your child's Health Curriculum. The units are designed to provide students with the information, decision-making skills, and attitudes that will encourage thoughtful and responsible behavior and are directly aligned to the NJ Student Learning Standards. The topics will be addressed in a developmentally appropriate manner each year. If you would like to research any units further, please refer to the NJ Student Learning Standards in Comprehensive Health and Physical Education, which provides further details regarding the topics listed below.

If you choose not to have your son/daughter participate in any portion of a unit, you must complete a "Request to be Excused" form which is available in the main school office. If you wish to discuss these units further, please call your child's school for an appointment.

Curriculum Units - Kindergarten, 1st Grade, 2nd Grade

- I. Personal Growth and Development
 - A. Benefits of physical activity
 - B. Healthy habits
 - C. Wellness
 - D. Body parts
- II. Reproduction
 - A. Caring for offspring
- III. Emotional Health
 - A. Character development
 - B. Personal responsibility
 - C. Self control
 - D. Stress management
- IV. Social and Sexual Health
 - A. Individuality and Expression
 - B. Gender and Stereotypes
 - C. Healthy Family Relationships
 - D. Social Needs
 - E. Expressing Feelings
- Sincerely,

- V. Community Health Services and Support
- VI. Nutrition
- VII. Personal Safety
 - A. Environmental Hazards
 - B. Trusted Adults
 - C. Body Autonomy, Personal Boundaries
- VIII. Health Conditions, Diseases, Medicines
 - A. Personal Hygiene
 - IX. Alcohol, Tobacco, Other Drugs
 - A. Medicines
 - X. Dependency, Substance Abuse, Treatment
 - A. Help is available for those who need it

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