

Ross School Family Life Program

Program Goals:

The goal of Ross School's Family Life Program is to improve health literacy and wellness by presenting medically accurate objective information that is developmentally appropriate. Learners will recognize and accept differences in body types and maturation levels. They will learn communication and positive decision-making skills that promote life-long healthy relationships.

Providing a home-school connection for students is a tradition we strongly value at Ross School. We encourage students to communicate with their parents about what they learn in Family Life classes. We strongly urge parents to share their values about human sexuality with their children and talk to them about what they are learning at school.

Ground Rules:

Learners will observe the following ground-rules during all Family Life sessions.

1. No putdowns of others' values, comments, or questions. All points of view are worthy of being discussed.
2. No question is "dumb." Questions only indicate a desire for knowledge; they do not tell you anything about the person asking the question.
3. No talking while another member of the class is speaking/reading or while the teacher is talking. Listening skills are important and indicate respect for other people.
4. No asking of personal questions of the teacher or of other students.
5. Respect the right to privacy. Don't share personal information about yourself or share information about others.
6. When possible, medical terminology will be used. When the student does not know the medical term, she/he may use the term she/he knows. The teacher or other students can supply the medical term.
7. Everyone has the right to "pass" on activities or on questions they do not wish to answer.