

New law requires public school governing authorities to provide to students in grades seven through 12 enrolled in Health Education age and grade appropriate classroom instruction relative to dating violence. Specifies that such instruction shall include but need not be limited to providing students with the following information: (1) The definition of "dating violence", which is a pattern of behavior where one person threatens to use, or actually uses, physical, sexual, verbal, or emotional abuse to control his or her dating partner; (2) dating violence warning signs; (3) characteristics of healthy relationships.

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