

Sexual Health Education Standards Comparison

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1 Executive Summary

1.1 Introduction

The purpose of this report is to compare four sets of student learning standards related to sexual health education. This report serves as a resource for K-12 educators and administrators and external sexual health education partners. The comparison review served many additional purposes, including to:

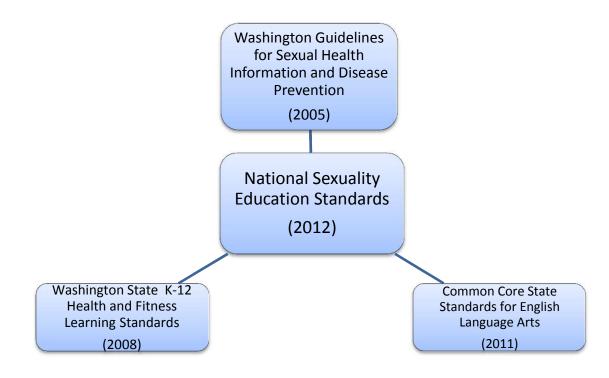
- Ensure that the 2005 Washington Guidelines for Sexual Health Information and Disease Prevention (WA Sexual Health Guidelines) are fully represented in the 2012 National Sexuality Education Standards (NSES);
- Show the relationship strength and overlap between the WA Sexual Health Guidelines and the NSES;
- Demonstrate that the age-appropriate NSES comprehensively covers the WA Sexual Health Guidelines and provides far more depth and clarity for educators than the broad guidelines offer;
- Identify the areas in which the NSES and Washington's 2008 K-12 Health and Fitness Learning Standards (HFS) overlap, and conversely, gaps in the HFS related to sexual health education;
- Identify areas where health educators can meet Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts (CCSS-ELA) while teaching sexual health education;
- Identify opportunities for English Language Arts (ELA) educators to address core sexual health education concepts and identify examples of opportunities for appropriate sexual health education topics to be covered in the CCSS-ELA courses and literacy in social studies/history, science and technical subjects (CCSS-ELA); and
- Identify opportunities for educators to increase academic rigor in sexual health education by incorporating CCSS-ELA standards into selected lessons and exercises.

Washington State requires that districts which offer sexual health education do so in a comprehensive manner. Historically, the state has used the 2005 WA Sexual Health Guidelines to identify comprehensive sexual health education curriculum. Because the WA Sexual Health Guidelines are a broad overview and offer little in terms of detailed grade-specific expectations, the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) chose to utilize the 2012 NSES as the central focus for this comparison because they are the most comprehensive and detailed set of standards with regard to sexual health education, and they closely mirror the WA Sexual Health Guidelines. In short, this report demonstrates that the National Sexuality Education Standards can be used to fully meet state law regarding comprehensive sexual health education.

In July 2011, Washington State adopted the Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts. The CCSS-ELA standards can be used in many different content areas to strengthen students' critical thinking and communication skills. The comparison to the CCSS-ELA shows how the rigor of the CCSS-ELA can be integrated into other content areas, specifically sexual health education. This

report serves as a resource for educators who want to increase the rigor of their sexual health education classes by incorporating relevant CCSS-ELA standards into their lesson plans. The report contains sample lesson ideas or activities for many NSES standards that corresponded with selected CCSS-ELA standards. Educators who use this report will find that they can integrate selected CCSS-ELA standards while addressing sexual health education content.

Washington's 2008 K-12 Health and Fitness Learning Standards address at a very high level the requirement to identify healthy relationship behaviors and maintain sexual health throughout life, but have no detailed specifications. The comparison to the HFS is important because it shows how the state's health and fitness standards compare to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines and the NSES. The report provides additional guidance on how to implement relevant HFS grade level expectations, utilizing the more detailed NSES standards as appropriate.



1.2 Overview of Standards Sets

A description of each of the four standards sets follows.

1.2.1 National Sexuality Education Standards

In 2011, a number of national organizations including the American School Health Association, the American Association for Health Education, the National Education Association Health Information Network, and the Society of State Leaders of Health and Physical Education partnered with the Future of Sex Education Initiative¹ to develop the National Sexuality Education Standards (NSES).

¹ The Future of Sex Education Initiative (FoSE) is a project of three national groups: Advocates for Youth, an organization dedicated to creating programs and advocating for policies that help young people make informed and responsible

The NSES contain minimum, essential sexuality core content and skills and provide clear expectations about what students should know and be able to do by the conclusion of certain grade levels. The NSES, which were published in January 2012, can be found at <u>www.futureofsexeducation.org</u>.

The goal of the NSES is to provide clear, consistent, and straightforward guidance on the essential minimum, core content for sexuality education that is age-appropriate for students in grades K–12.

There are seven core topics that frame the NSES:

Anatomy and Physiology (AP) provides a foundation for understanding basic human functioning.

Puberty and Adolescent Development (PD) addresses a pivotal milestone for every person that has an impact on physical, social and emotional development.

Identity (ID) addresses several fundamental aspects of people's understanding of who they are.

Pregnancy and Reproduction (PR) addresses information about how pregnancy happens and decision-making to avoid a pregnancy.

Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV (SH) provides both content and skills for understanding and avoiding STDs and HIV, including how they are transmitted, their signs and symptoms and testing and treatment.

Healthy Relationships (HR) offers guidance to students on how to successfully navigate changing relationships among family, peers and partners. Special emphasis is given in the NSES to the increasing use and impact of technology within relationships.

Personal Safety (PS) emphasizes the need for a growing awareness, creation and maintenance of safe school environments for all students.

1.2.2 Washington Guidelines for Sexual Health Information and Disease Prevention

The 2005 WA Sexual Health Guidelines were developed by a group of educators and medical experts convened by the OSPI and the Washington State Department of Health (DOH) in response to a bipartisan request from 41 state legislators.

The 60th Washington State Legislature, 2007 Regular Session, enacted Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5297 into law as the Healthy Youth Act (<u>RCW 28A.300.475</u>) with the intent to further support and advance the standards established in the 2005 WA Sexual Health Guidelines.

decisions about their reproductive and sexual health; Answer, an organization based at Rutgers which promotes comprehensive sexuality education; and SIECUS, the Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States.

The Healthy Youth Act specifies that public schools which provide sexual health education must ensure that it is medically and scientifically accurate, age appropriate, appropriate for students regardless of gender, race, disability status, or sexual orientation, and includes information about abstinence and other methods of preventing pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases (STDs). Abstinence may not be taught to the exclusion of instruction on contraceptives and disease prevention. The state law also requires that districts and schools which provide sexual health education must ensure that it is consistent with the WA Sexual Health Guidelines.

By comparing the NSES to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines, this project shows that the detailed, measurable and age-appropriate standards in the NSES comprehensively cover the content outlined in the broader WA Sexual Health Guidelines.

See <u>http://www.k12.wa.us/HIVSexualhealth/Healthyyouthact.aspx</u> for more information about the Healthy Youth Act, and <u>http://www.k12.wa.us/HIVSexualhealth/pubdocs/</u> <u>SexEdGuidelines011005.pdf</u> for more information about the WA Sexual Health Guidelines.

1.2.3 Washington State K-12 Health and Fitness Learning Standards

Strong health and fitness education teaches our students that good health and safety principles can lead to a lifetime of healthy practices, resulting in more productive, active, and successful lives.

The 2008 Washington State K-12 Health and Fitness Learning Standards (HFS) describe what students should know and be able to do. They establish the concepts and skills necessary for safe and healthy living, and in turn, for successful learning.

Within the entirety of the set of HFS, several address sexual health concepts including topics such as "understanding how to maintain sexual health throughout life" (Grade Level Expectation 2.2.2 for grades 4-12), and the importance of building healthy relationships. These have natural correspondence to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines and the NSES. The report and provides linkages to health educators seeking specific age-appropriate information to help teach the relevant health and fitness standards.

See <u>http://k12.wa.us/HealthFitness/default.aspx</u> for more information.

1.2.4 Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts

The Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts (CCSS-ELA) provide a consistent, clear understanding of what students are expected to learn, so teachers and parents know what they need to do to help them. The standards are designed to be robust and relevant to the real world, reflecting the knowledge and skills that our young people need for success in college and careers. The CCSS were finalized in summer 2010. To date, 45 states, the District of Columbia and four US territories have adopted the standards. Washington adopted the CCSS in July 2011.

The CCSS-ELA set expectations for student learning not only for foundational English language arts skills and knowledge, but also for building literacy in history/social studies, science, and technical subjects. Just as students must learn to read, write, speak, listen, and use language effectively in a

variety of content areas, so too must they demonstrate literacy skills and understandings required for college and career readiness in multiple disciplines. Literacy standards for grade 6 and above are predicated on teachers of ELA, history/social studies, science, and technical subjects using their content area expertise to help students meet the particular challenges of reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language in their respective fields. It is important to note that the grades 6–12 literacy standards in history/social studies, science, and technical subjects are not meant to replace content standards in those areas, but rather to supplement them and support access to the content so students can build knowledge.

These rigorous standards articulate high expectations in literacy for students that can apply to any content area, ranging from close reading and constructing effective arguments to support their conclusions, to identifying a speaker's key points and elaborating on these ideas in group settings, to constructing and testing hypotheses and strategically choosing and implementing procedures to solve problems.

By comparing the NSES to the CCSS-ELA, this project provides examples and linkages for health educators and students to increase academic rigor while reading, writing, speaking and listening about sexual health, as well as examples for ELA teachers to use when teaching about reading informational or nonfiction texts.

See <u>http://www.k12.wa.us/CoreStandards/elastandards/default.aspx</u> or <u>http://www.corestandards.org/</u> for more information.

1.3 Process and General Findings Overview

In partnership with Relevant Strategies, OSPI convened two different review groups consisting of health educators and curriculum specialists to review and compare the standards sets. The first review group compared the NSES to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines and the HFS. The second review group focused on identifying which CCSS-ELA standards relate to specific NSES items, and then identified lessons or activities that would meet the intent of the related standards from both the NSES and CCSS-ELA. See Section 1.2 Overview of Standards Sets for a complete description of all the referenced standard sets.

Initially, strong alignment was expected between the WA Sexual Health Guidelines and the NSES. Both have comprehensive coverage, although the WA Sexual Health Guidelines lack age-appropriate distinctions and the NSES includes age-appropriate standards definitions. The analysis confirmed this initial hypothesis of a strong overlap between the two.

A primary difference, however is regarding specificity. While the WA Sexual Health Guidelines are comprehensive, they are at best broad guidance about what constitutes a comprehensive sexual health education program. They do not provide specific age-appropriate guidance, or examples like the NSES. They are not scaffolded or sequenced to build upon prior learning like most standards sets. Some health educators report difficulty in determining whether they have sufficiently covered the content within the WA Sexual Health Guidelines required by the Healthy Youth Act. The

reviewers agreed that health educators in Washington state can reliably use the NSES, with its detailed standards descriptions and age-appropriate guidance, and be assured that they are meeting the law with regard to covering all the WA Sexual Health Guidelines.

Limited alignment was expected between Washington's HFS and the NSES. The HFS have some content related to healthy relationships, but do not comprehensively cover sexual health education. Instead, in several instances the HFS simply provide a general reference to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines. The review confirmed this limited alignment.

The comparison of the NSES with the CCSS-ELA had a different purpose. Rather than determine the overlap or alignment between the standards sets, the intent of the second review was to identify ways to incorporate the academic rigor embedded in the CCSS-ELA when teaching sexual health education, and ideas for how educators might create content-specific lessons and activities focused on sexual health education that could be used when teaching English language arts using relevant non-fiction and informational texts.

Overall, the work described in this report provides is intended as a resource to health educators and curriculum directors by showing that the more detailed NSES provide comprehensive coverage of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines. The NSES can be used to develop a comprehensive curriculum across all grades, and educators can be confident that they are providing age-appropriate and specific content that is building upon knowledge gained in previous grades.

2 Standards Comparison Process

This process was modeled after other alignment projects conducted by OSPI. Health specialists, educators and curriculum specialists with expertise in health education, sexual health education and common core state standards were recruited to review the standards sets.

Two separate full-day review sessions with different groups were scheduled. The first involved eight reviewers and compared the NSES to both the WA Sexual Health Guidelines and the HFS. The second review group focused on a process identifying how to integrate the CCSS-ELA and the NSES.

The review groups received training in the process for comparing standards sets. The training covered an overview of the organization and taxonomy of the standards sets, guidance on what a strong, medium or weak relationship constituted, and group and individual guided exercises to identify and assess relationships between the standards sets.

Using a form that listed all the NSES items for grade ranges K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12, reviewers compared the NSES item first to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines, and identified zero, one or more guidelines that related to the specific NSES item. Reviewers noted whether the relationship was strong, medium or weak. Next, they reviewed the HFS, identified one or more that were related to the NSES item, identified the grades for which the HFS applied, and rated the strength of the relationship.

National Standards Core Concepts	State Guideline Correlation	Strength (S/M/W)	Health & Fitness GLE	6	7	8	Strength (S/M/W)	Notes
AP.8.CC.1 Describe male and female sexual and reproductive systems including body parts and their functions	4.2	S	2.2.1	~	~	~	M	
AP.8.AI.1 Identify accurate and credible sources of information about sexual health	1.1	SS	2.2.2	1	1	V	W	
PD.8.CC.1 Describe the physical, social, cognitive and emotional changes of adolescence	4.2	S	2.2.2	V	V	V	W	
PD.8.INF.1 Analyze how friends, family, media, society and culture can influence self-concept and body image	3.4	S	3,1,1	~	~	1	W	
PD.8.AI.1 Identify medically accurate sources of information about puberty, adolescent development and sexuality	4.1	S	X					

The second review compared the NSES with the CCSS-ELA. Reviewers worked in pairs that included one health and fitness educator and one ELA specialist. The group of ten reviewers received training in navigating both sets of standards, understanding the depth of knowledge reference in specific

standards, identifying potential relationships between individual standards in the standards sets, and documenting an example lesson idea or activity that would meet both the NSES and related CCSS-ELA standard pair.

The purpose of this comparison process was to provide sample lesson topics or activities for many NSES standards that corresponded with selected CCSS-ELA standards. Educators who use this report will find that they can integrate the CCSS-ELA standards while addressing sexual health education content.

It is particularly important to note that for every sexuality education standard reviewed, there were many ELA standards that could be related. Reviewers were asked to select a single match, and develop a lesson idea or activity that met both. Consequently, many relationships exist that were not documented. Educators may wish to apply their own analysis and select other ELA standards that relate to specific sexuality education standards, and develop lessons or activities that meet both.

3 Findings and Comparisons

3.1 Overall Summary

The comparison of the NSES to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines showed the strongest relationships between these two standards sets. This was expected, because both are intended to provide comprehensive coverage of sexual health education. Health educators in Washington State can be assured that using the NSES as a framework for their sexuality education courses meets the requirements of the Healthy Youth Act and that the NSES match the comprehensive coverage of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines.

The HFS comparison showed linkages to the NSES, but in general was much weaker. This too was expected, because the HFS cover physical exercise, nutrition, and wellbeing. Sexual health is either mentioned in a very broad context, e.g. *2.2.2: Understands how to maintain sexual health throughout life*, or inferred from other Grade Level Expectations (GLEs) involving healthy relationships with others.

The purpose of the comparison to the CCSS-ELA was not to identify areas of subject matter overlap, but instead to identify ways that the academic rigor embedded in the CCSS-ELA could be brought to health education classes, when reading, writing, listening, or speaking about sexual health education, and to provide examples of how sexual health education could be addressed by ELA teachers while addressing reading informational and/or nonfiction texts.

3.2 Washington Guidelines for Sexual Health Information and Disease Prevention

3.2.1 General Observations

Several foundational questions were addressed by the review committee when assessing the relationship between the NSES and the WA Sexual Health Guidelines. The following questions and responses should assist educators in navigating the different sets of standards while also attending to the requirements of the Healthy Youth Act.

Can Washington health educators use the NSES framework to meet the requirements in the Healthy Youth Act?

The answer is yes. Results from this project show that the NSES cover all the WA Sexual Health Guidelines and thus meets the requirement for providing *comprehensive* sexual health education (if sexual health education is offered), as defined in the Healthy Youth Act.

Do the NSES comprehensively cover the W*I* Sexual Health Guidelines?

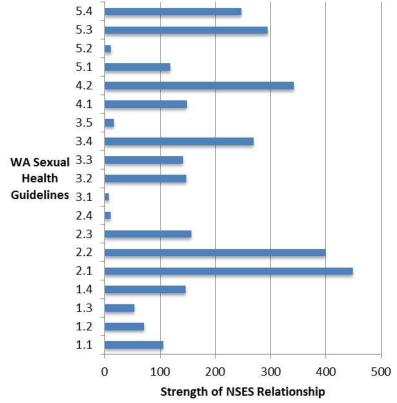
Yes. As shown in the chart, all of the 'Sexual Health Guidelines have some level of coverage in the NSES.

Do the NSES extend significantly beyond the WA Sexual Health Guidelines?

No. There are only two NSES items for which reviewers failed to identify a relationship within the WA Sexual Health Guidelines. Both are in the K-2 standards, and are shown below.

 HR.2.CC.1 Describe strategies to use social media safely, legal and respectfully
 ID.2.CC.1 Explain how to promote safety, respect, awarenes

and acceptance



When the WA Sexual Health Guidelines were developed, the impact of social media was very limited, and was not fully addressed. The second NSES item, *Explain how to promote safety, respect, awareness and acceptance,* seems to be related to *Guideline 2.3 – Promote healthy self-esteem, positive body image, good self-care, respect for others.* The lack of relationship may be explained by the fact that only 5 of the 8 reviewers finished the K-2 review, and that the relationship between the two standards is somewhat weak.

Are there areas where the relationship between the two standards sets is less than expected?

Yes. A few of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines appear to show minimal coverage. They include:

- 2.4 Teach youth that learning about sexuality is a lifelong process as the needs and circumstances of an individual change.
- 3.1 Are age and culturally appropriate.
- 3.5 Encourage community support and reinforcement of key messages by other adults and information sources.
- 5.2 Acknowledge that people may choose to abstain from sexual activity at various points in their lives.

Guidelines 2.4 and 3.1 are related to age and learning over time. While there are no specific standards within the NSES that match these exactly, the entire structure of the NSES unfolds over time, with kindergarteners learning about healthy relationships, middle school students

learning about puberty, bullying and harassment, and high school students learning about pregnancy prevention.

Guideline 3.5 encourages community support and reinforcement of key messages. Reviewers identified several NSES items which relate to this guideline, including:

- Demonstrate how to access valid information and resources to help deal with relationships
- Advocate for school policies and programs that promote dignity and respect for all
- Develop a plan to promote dignity and respect for all people in the school community
- Analyze influences that may have an impact on deciding whether or when to engage in sexual behaviors
- Examine how alcohol and other substances, friends, family, media, society and culture influence decisions about engaging in sexual behaviors
- Demonstrate effective ways to communicate with trusted adults about bullying, harassment, abuse or assault

The low strength score for Guideline 5.2 may initially lead a casual observer to believe that abstinence is not sufficiently addressed in the NSES. This is not true. There are nine standards across middle and high school which address abstinence, in the context of pregnancy prevention, health benefits, effective communication, negotiation and decision-making, and STD/HIV prevention. The low score for 5.2 is more likely tied to the specificity of this guideline, in comparison to the other more broadly based guidelines. While the NSES discuss abstinence in many contexts across middle and high school, it does not specifically address abstinence *at various points throughout* their lives.

Which areas have a very strong overlap or relationship?

The top ten percent of the NSES that scored the highest overall consolidated strength score when compared to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines are:

SH.12.CC.2	Evaluate the effectiveness of abstinence, condoms and other safer sex methods in preventing the spread of STDs, including HIV
PR.12.AI.1	Access medically accurate information about contraceptive methods, including abstinence and condoms
PD.8.AI.1	Identify medically accurate sources of information about puberty, adolescent development and sexuality
AP.2.CC.1	Use proper names for body parts, including male and female anatomy
PR.8.CC.3	Explain the health benefits, risks and effectiveness rates of various methods of contraception, including abstinence and condoms
SH.5.CC.1	Define HIV and identify some age appropriate methods of transmission, as well as ways to prevent transmission
SH.8.SM.1	Describe the steps to using a condom correctly

PR.12.CC.1 Compare and contrast the advantages and disadvantages of abstinence and other contraceptive methods, including condoms

The top five WA Sexual Health Guidelines that scored the highest overall consolidated strength score in comparison to the NSES are:

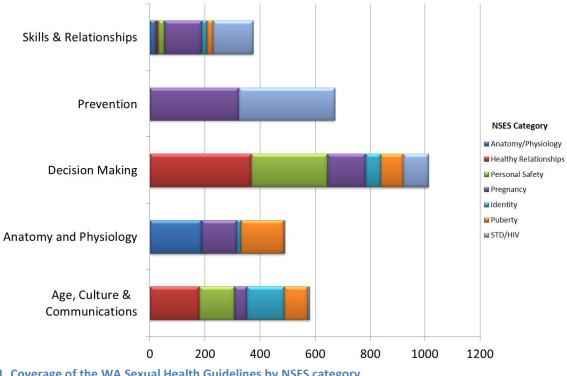
- 2.1 Promote the development of intrapersonal and interpersonal skills including a sense of dignity and self-worth and the communication, decision-making, assertiveness and refusal skills necessary to reduce health risks and choose healthy behaviors.
- 2.2 Encourage young people to develop and maintain healthy, respectful and meaningful relationships and avoid exploitative or manipulative relationships.
- 4.2 Provide information about sexual anatomy and physiology and the stages, patterns, and responsibilities associated with growth and development.
- 5.3 Provide accurate information about STDs including how STDs are and are not transmitted and the effectiveness of all FDA approved methods of reducing the risk of contracting STDs.
- 3.4 Address the impact of media and peer messages on thoughts, feelings, cultural norms and behaviors related to sexuality as well as address social pressures related to sexual behaviors.

Are there areas where health educators in Washington State might consider supplementing their NSES-based curriculum?

The WA Sexual Health Guidelines emphasize community support², and the NSES have limited references to local resources. A natural area to supplement an NSES-based curriculum would be to identify and provide information about local culturally-appropriate community resources available to students.

² Guideline 3.5 – Encourage community support and reinforcement of key messages by other adults and information sources.

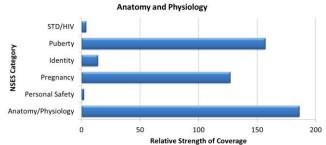
3.2.2 Detailed Findings



Relative Coverage of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines

Figure 1 shows how the major categories of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines (on the vertical axis) are covered within the categories of the NSES (represented by the stacked bars and legend). For example, the Guideline category "Anatomy and Physiology" is covered primarily by three major categories within the NSES, including AP, Pregnancy, and Puberty.

Figures 2-6 show a more detailed view of which of the NSES categories provides coverage for the WA Sexual Health Guidelines categories. For example in Figure 2, most of the coverage for the Guideline category of Anatomy and Physiology comes from the three NSES categories Anatomy/Physiology, Pregnancy and Puberty.



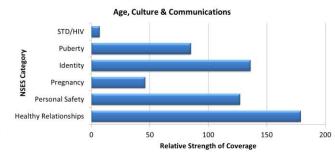
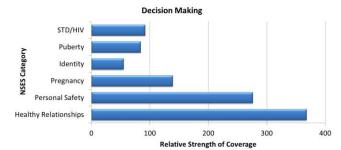
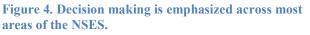


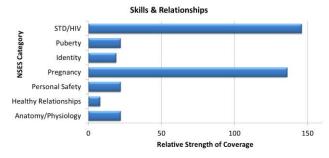
Figure 2. Most of the Anatomy & Physiology coverage from the WA Sexual Health Guidelines comes from three areas of the NSES – Puberty, Pregnancy and A/P.

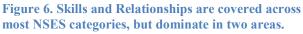
Figure 3. Coverage of Age, Culture and Communications comes from many areas of the NSES, due primarily to the emphasis on communications within the NSES.

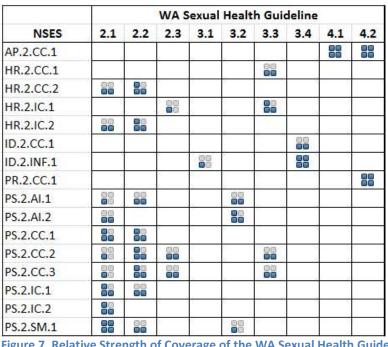
Figure 1. Coverage of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines by NSES category.











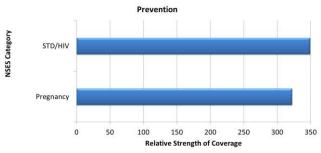






Figure 7. Relative Strength of Coverage of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines by NSES for Grades K-2.

Figure 7 shows in detail how at the K-2 level, the WA Sexual Health Guidelines are covered by the K-2 NSES. Note that several of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines, including for instance those related to pregnancy prevention, are not addressed in the NSES for grades K-2. Rather, they are introduced

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later, demonstrating the age-appropriate detail embedded in the NSES. As another example, Guideline 2.1, which promotes the development of intrapersonal and interpersonal skills to reduce health risks, shows up extensively in the Personal Safety category of the NSES for K-2.

Figure 8. Relative Strength of Coverage of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines by NSES for Grades 3-5.

In Grades 3-5, there are clusters of emphasis, including Decision Making and Anatomy and Physiology, which have strong coverage in several areas of the NSES.

	1							WA S	exual	Health	n Guid	eline							
NSES	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	4.1	4.2	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.4
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Figure 9. Relative Strength of Coverage of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines by NSES for Grades 6-8. (Part 1)

In Grades 6-8, the NSES provide broad coverage across all the major areas of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines. (See the 2nd part of the chart on the next page for complete coverage.)

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NSES	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	4.1	4.2	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.4
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Figure 10. Relative Strength of Coverage of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines by NSES for Grades 6-8. (Part 2)

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Figure 11. Relative Strength of Coverage of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines by NSES for Grades 9-12. (Part 1)

Like middle school, the high school maps show comprehensive coverage across all the WA Sexual Health Guidelines, with an emphasis on Decision Making and Prevention. Anatomy and Physiology is covered, but coverage switches to content appropriate to pregnancy and reproduction. (See additional chart continuing on next page.)

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Figure 12. Relative Strength of Coverage of the WA Sexual Health Guidelines by NSES for Grades 9-12. (Part 2)

3.3 Washington State K-12 Health and Fitness Learning Standards

3.3.1 General Observations

Washington State K-12 Health and Fitness Learning Standards cover nutrition, physical activity, and personal safety. They establish the concepts and skills necessary for safe and healthy living, and in turn, for successful learning. There are four Essential Academic Learning Requirements (EALRs) for health and fitness:

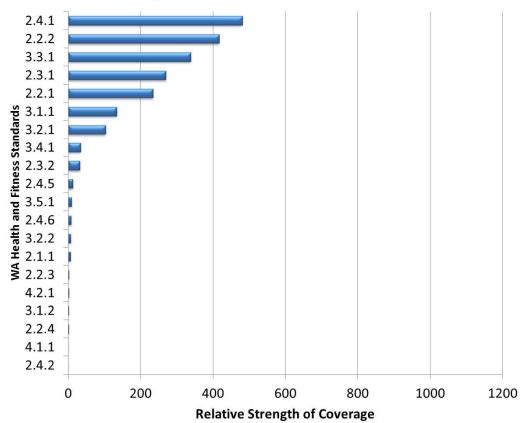
- EALR 1 captures movement, physical fitness, and nutrition.
- EALR 2 recognizes dimensions of health, stages of growth and development, reduces health risks, and promotes safe living.
- EALR 3 analyzes and evaluates the impact of real-life influences on health.
- EALR 4 analyzes personal information to develop an individualized fitness plan.

There are a few broad references to sexual health (see HFS 2.2.2), but those references typically refer back to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines for additional detail.

Overall, just a few of the HFS relate to sexual health, including the following, shown in order of the relative strengths of their overall relationships to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines.

- 2.4.1 Understands abusive and risky situations and illustrates safe behaviors to prevent injury to self and others at home, school, and in the community.
- 2.2.2 Understands how to maintain sexual health throughout life.
- 3.3.1 Understands that social skills are necessary to promote health and safety.
- 2.3.1 Understands how to prevent or reduce the risk of contracting a communicable disease.
- 2.2.1 Understands the structure and function of body systems.
- 3.1.1 Understands how family factors affect health.
- 3.2.1 Understands reliable sources of health and fitness information.

3.3.2 Detailed Findings



HFS Relationship to WA Sexual Health Guidelines

Figure 13. This chart shows the relative strength of the relationships between the WA K-12 Health and Fitness Learning Standards and the WA Sexual Health Guidelines. Overall, the relationship between the two sets of standards is low.

Of the nearly 1500 data points collected, reviewers indicated that the relationship strength between the H&F Standards and the NS standards were weak or nonexistent over 1100 times (75% of total ratings). Only 93 of ratings were strong (6% of total ratings), and 279 were medium (19% of total ratings).

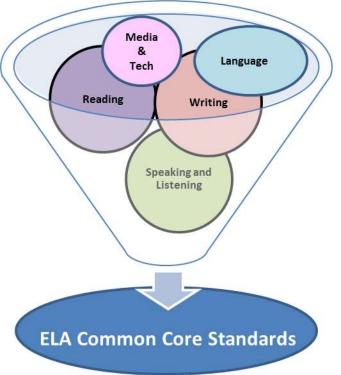
The Washington State K-12 Health and Fitness Learning Standards are in the process of being revised. This body of work will inform the standards revision project, scheduled to start in 2014.

3.4 Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts

3.4.1 General Observations

The CCSS-ELA do not measure the same content as the NSES. CCSS-ELA standards describe actions involving reading, writing, speaking and listening, and associated cognitive effort such as analyzing, describing, determinir inferring, etc. They are aligned in cognitive demand to sg grade bands and could just as easily be applied to social science, or sexual health education.

In contrast, the NSES describe content-specific knowled should attain by certain grade levels, but they do not premethod by which students demonstrate that knowledge NSES provide clear, consistent and straightforward guidance on the essential minimum, core content for sexuality education that is age-appropriate for students in grades K–12.



The purpose of this review, to associate CCSS-ELA standards with the NSES, was to identify ways to address the relevance and rigor of the CCSS-ELA standards while teaching sexual health education and vice versa.

It is important to note that the comparisons between the NSES and the CCSS-ELA do not imply a correlation between the two. Rather, the association is more about how one could meet the NSES by applying one or more approaches for student to demonstrate their knowledge – e.g. writing, reading, or speaking about specific content contained in the NSES.

3.4.2 Sample Lessons

Reviewers were instructed to select a specific NSES standard within their assigned grade band (6-8 or 9-12), identify a potential CCSS-ELA match, evaluate the strength of the connection, and create a sample lesson description that met the NSES standard, using the approach identified in the CCSS-ELA standard.

For example, reviewers selected an eighth grade sexual health standard, "Identify accurate and credible sources of information about sexual health". There were several potential matches within the CCSS-ELA, involving reading informational and nonfiction texts, speaking, or listening that could be associated with the selected sexual health standard. Reviewers selected one of the CCSS-ELA standards which had close association, involving reading informational texts, as shown below in Figure 14. Then, they created a sample lesson description that met the expectation of the NSES standard, using the selected CCSS-ELA standard that could be integrated into a sample lesson.

AP.8.AI.1

Identify accurate and credible sources of information about sexual health.

Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing when the evidence is relevant and sufficient...

RI.8.8

Research two sources on the Internet describing HPV. Choose the best source based on evidence and sound reasoning.

Figure 14. Selection process for associating NSES with CCSS-ELA, and creating a sample lesson.

Additionally, reviewers were asked to provide a variety of sample lesson ideas or activities using different cognitive engagement levels. The group used the Hess model to identify the depth of knowledge levels associated with their selected sample lesson. Karin Hess, from the National Center for the Improvement of Educational Assessment (NCIEA), created a matrix to integrate Bloom's "types of thinking" with Webb's "how deeply you need to understand a concept in order to interact with it."³ See Figure 15 for more information.

Key takeaways for readers:

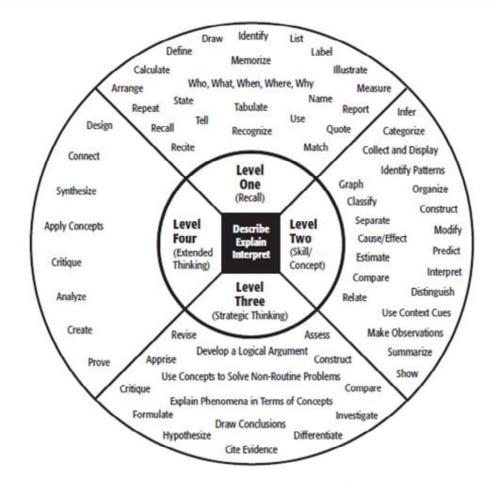
- A specific NSES standard can be associated with many CCSS-ELA standards, depending upon the anticipated sample lesson. The work of this review group highlighted a subset of the potential relationships. Many more relationships exist between the two standards sets.
- The sample lesson ideas are just that samples. Educators can use this document to shop for sample lesson ideas, or they can create their own.

Sexual Health Education Standards Comparison

³ Also see: Webb, Norman L. and others. "Web Alignment Tool", July 24, 2005. Wisconsin Center of Educational Research. University of Wisconsin-Madison, http://www.wcer.wisc.edu/WAT/index.aspx.

- Associating content standards such as the NSES with the CCSS-ELA can help increase the academic rigor associated with that content area, and help students apply important reading, writing, and communications skills to specific content areas.
- This review does not endorse the practice of one-to-one matching of the CCSS-ELA to a sexual health lesson. Multiple CCSS-ELA standards may be addressed within a lesson.

Depth of Knowledge (DOK) Levels



Level One Activities	Level Two Activities	Level Three Activities	Level Four Activities
Recall elements and details of story structure, such as sequence of events, character, plot and setting. Conduct basic mathematical calculations. Label locations on a map. Represent in words or diagrams a scientific concept or relationship. Perform routine procedures like measuring length or using punctuation marks correctly. Describe the features of a place or people.	Identify and summarize the major events in a narrative. Use context cues to identify the meaning of unfamiliar words. Solve routine multiple-step problems. Describe the cause/effect of a particular event. Identify patterns in events or behavior. Formulate a routine problem given data and conditions. Organize, represent and interpret data.	Support ideas with details and examples. Use voice appropriate to the purpose and audience. Identify research questions and design investigations for a scientific problem. Develop a scientific model for a complex situation. Determine the author's purpose and describe how it affects the interpretation of a reading selection. Apply a concept in other contexts.	Conduct a project that requires specifying a problem, designing and conducting an experiment, analyzing its data, and reporting results/ solutions. Apply mathematical model to illuminate a problem or situation. Analyze and synthesize information from multiple sources. Describe and illustrate how common themes are found across texts from different cultures. Design a mathematical model to inform and solve a practical or abstract situation.

Webb, Norman L. and others. "Web Alignment Tool" 24 July 2005. Whiconsin Center of Educational Research. University of Waconsin Madicon. 2 Feb. 2006. Antp://www.wer.wisc.edu/WAI/Index.asp/>

Figure 15. Hess Depth of Knowledge Levels.

4 Grade 6-8 ELA Connections

How to read this chart: The NSES is listed on the left. A sample CCSS-ELA standard is referenced in the second column. Note that other CCSS-ELA standards can be related to the selected NSES. This body of work shows a single potential connection for each NSES. *Appendix D* shows the actual content of the referenced CCSS-ELA standard. The review pairs noted the strength of the connection between the NSES and selected CCSS-ELA standard, then described a sample lesson idea or activity that could be done in a sexual health education class. The final column indicates the Depth of Knowledge associated with the example lesson. See Figure 15 on page 24 for more information about the Depth of Knowledge levels. Note that the lesson ideas presented below are the work of the review pairs, and educators should seek information about local policies before implementing a lesson idea or activity.

National Sexuality Education Standard	CCSS-ELA Connection	Strength (S/M/W)	Example Lesson Idea or Activity in Sexual Health Education Class	Depth of Knowledge
AP.8.CC.1 Describe male and female sexual and reproductive systems including body parts and their functions	L.8.6	S	Students will divide labeled cards into two piles: "male" and "female". Students will select a card labeled with a male or female body part name and match to a definition card describing the correct function of that part.	1
PD.8.CC.1 Describe the physical, social, cognitive and emotional changes of adolescence	SL.8.5	S	Students will create a PowerPoint which illustrates the physical, social, cognitive, and emotional changes of adolescence, using multiple relevant resources and present to the class.	3
PD.8.AI.1 Identify medically accurate sources of information about puberty, adolescent development and sexuality	RST.8.8	S	Using a teacher-created bank of accurate and inaccurate resources, students will research a component of puberty, adolescent development, or sexuality, choose valid information, and share findings.	4
PD.8.DM.1 Demonstrate the use of a decision-making model and evaluate possible outcomes of decisions adolescents might make	W.8.3	S	Choosing from teacher-created scenarios, students will write and perform a skit role-playing both positive and negative decision making.	4

National Sexuality Education Standard	CCSS-ELA Connection	Strength (S/M/W)	Example Lesson Idea or Activity in Sexual Health Education Class	Depth of Knowledge
ID.8.CC.1 Differentiate between gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation	L.8.6	S	Have students create a PSA explaining the differences in gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation.	4
ID.8.CC.2 Explain the range of gender roles	SL.8.1	W	In small groups, sort jobs into three classifications: "mostly male," "mostly female," and "both male and female." Discuss implications of these gender stereotypes. What are other stereotypes that we see in American society?	2
ID.8.AI.1 Access accurate information about gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation	RST.8.8	М	Create a reference sheet on accurate resources for gender identity, gender expression, and sexual identity.	1
ID.8.IC.1 Communicate respectfully with and about people of all gender identities, gender expressions and sexual orientations	SL.8.1	S	Students and teacher creates a set of discussion norms to communicate and collaborate respectfully.	3
ID.8.ADV.1 Develop a plan to promote dignity and respect for all people in the school community	WHST.8.8	S	Working in pairs/small groups and using multiple resources, students brainstorm "what dignity and respect looks like in our school." Students design a logo and/or slogans to encourage dignity and respect for all people in the school community. Students present to the class, and then share in school building.	4
PR.8.CC.1 Define sexual intercourse and its relationship to human reproduction	WHST.8.9	S	Students access teacher-created and class resources to create a MYTHS/FACTS document about sexual intercourse and pregnancy.	4

National Sexuality Education Standard	CCSS-ELA Connection	Strength (S/M/W)	Example Lesson Idea or Activity in Sexual Health Education Class	Depth of
PR.8.CC.3 Explain the health benefits, risks and effectiveness rates of various methods of contraception, including abstinence and condoms	WHST.8.8	S	In small groups, students research health benefits, risks, and effectiveness rates for their chosen method of pregnancy prevention (i.e. abstinence, condoms, other birth control). Then each group creates a PROs and CONs chart to share with larger class.	Knowledge 4
PR.8.CC.4 Define emergency contraception and its use	L.8.6	Μ	Think-pair-share on definition of "emergency contraception" and its use.	
PR.8.CC.5 Describe the signs and symptoms of a pregnancy	RST.8.4	S	Students read an at-grade-level text describing the signs and symptoms of a pregnancy. Students generate questions and teacher facilitates a large group discussion.	3
PR.8.CC.6 Identify prenatal practices that can contribute to a healthy pregnancy	RST.8.8	S	Students read about healthy prenatal practices and then create posters with all positive imagery identifying healthy prenatal practices.	
PR.8.INF.1 Examine how alcohol and other substances, friends, family, media, society and culture influence decisions about engaging in sexual behaviors	RST.8.2	S	Students view video, advertisements, and other media examples of how alcohol and other substances can influence engagement in sexual behaviors. Over the next week(s), students bring in additional examples and discuss with the class.	3
PR.8.AI.1 Identify medically accurate resources about pregnancy prevention and reproductive health care	RST.8.8	S	Create a reference brochure on accessing medically accurate resources to be disseminated in the counseling center and/or nurse's office.	3

National Sexuality Education Standard	CCSS-ELA Connection	Strength (S/M/W)	Example Lesson Idea or Activity in Sexual Health Education Class	Depth of Knowledge
PR.8.AI.2 Identify medically accurate information about emergency contraception	RST.8.8	S	Create a reference brochure on accessing medically accurate resources to be disseminated in the counseling center and/or nurse's office.	3
PR.8.AI.3 Identify medically accurate sources of pregnancy-related information and support including pregnancy options, safe surrender policies and prenatal care	RST.8.8	S	Create a reference brochure on accessing medically accurate resources to be disseminated in the counseling center and/or nurse's office.	3
PR.8.IC.1 Demonstrate the use of effective communication skills to support one's decision to abstain from sexual behaviors	WHST.8.1	S	Teacher shares decision making skills and "toolkit" to say no. Students write "Dear Abby" style questions about abstinence and then trade questions. Students respond providing good options for communication and abstinence choices.	4
PR.8.IC.2 Demonstrate the use of effective communication and negotiation skills about the use of contraception including abstinence and condoms	WHST.8.1	S	Teacher shares decision making skills and "toolkit" to say no. Students write "Dear Abby" style questions about abstinence and then trade questions. Students respond using effective communication and negotiation skills about the use of contraceptives, condoms, and/or abstinence.	4
PR.8.DM.1 Apply a decision-making model to various sexual health decisions	SL.8.4	S	Teacher supplies a variety of sexual health scenarios. In the think-pair-share model, students apply decision making models most appropriate for each scenario.	3
PR.8.SM.1 Describe the steps to using a condom correctly	RST.8.3	S	Review condom information sheet (p. 164, KNOW curriculum; grade 8 Lesson 4) In small groups, students arrange Correct Condom Use cards in the correct order.	2

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HR.8.CC.1 Compare and contrast the characteristics of healthy and unhealthy relationships	SL.8.4	Μ	Brainstorm healthy and unhealthy relationships: what do they look like? What do they sound like? Write responses on poster paper each group has a T chart with "healthy characteristics" and "unhealthy characteristics" Share T charts in whole class discussion	2
HR.8.CC.3 Analyze the similarities and differences between friendships and romantic relationships	WHST.8.4	S	Watch a variety of clips from movies or television which depicts both friendships and romantic relationships. As a class brainstorm/identify characteristics in both types of relationships that were seen. Have students write a one page summary analyzing the differences and similarities between friendships and romantic relationships.	4
HR.8.CC.4 Describe a range of ways people express affection within various types of relationships	SL.8.1	M	Have the class (in pairs or small groups) brainstorm and describe a range of ways people express affection. Share and discuss each as a class. Next, distribute cards with descriptions of ways people express affection throughout various types of relationship. In a teacher-led discussion, have the class sort through the descriptions and put them into a linear order.	3
HR.8.CC.5 Describe the advantages and disadvantages of communicating using technology and social media	SL.8.1	S	In small groups have students brainstorm the advantages and disadvantages of communicating using technology and social media. Each group will then share with the class one advantage and disadvantage that was discussed.	2
HR.8.INF.1 Analyze the ways in which friends, family, media, society and culture can influence relationships	WHST.8.4	S	Provide students with magazines, pictures, etc. and have them create a collage that shows the ways that friends, family, media, etc. influence their own personal relationships. Students will post their work and the rest of the class will produce a written analysis of the ideas portrayed in three different collages.	4

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HR.8.INF.2 Analyze the impact of technology and social media on friendships and relationships	RI.8.3	S	Provide sample scenarios in which relationships include social media and technology. Have students analyze the impact of the technology on the relationships in the stories.	3
HR.8.IC.1 Demonstrate communication skills that foster healthy relationships	WHST.8.4	М	Read a story highlighting a healthy relationship. Have students (in pairs or groups) identify the communication skills described that fostered a healthy relationship. Share ideas with whole group and discuss. Finally, have students in small groups; take turns demonstrating the communication skills identified.	4
HR.8.IC.2 Demonstrate effective ways to communicate personal boundaries and show respect for the boundaries of others	SL.8.4	S	As a class brainstorm ideas to effectively communicate personal boundaries and ways to show respect for the boundaries of others. Then, students demonstrate these ideas utilizing verbal and non-verbal styles of communication. Students can then (in writing) describe what they do to show respect for the boundaries of others.	2
HR.8.IC.3 Demonstrate effective skills to negotiate agreements about the use of technology in relationships	SL.8.4	M	Students develop and present role-play demonstrating effective skills to negotiate agreements about the use of technology in various types of relationships (parent/family, partners, friends)	3
HR.8.GS.1 Develop a plan to stay safe when using social media	WHST.8.4	S	Create/design a "social media contract" which explains a plan (with reasons/support) for staying safe while using social media.	3
HR.8.SM.1 Explain the criteria for evaluating the health of a relationship	WHST.8.4	S	Students (in pairs or alone) create a checklist depicting the criteria for a healthy relationship (respect, love, balance, etc.) Share checklist with another group/peer and have them explain possible reasons/support for what was included in the list. (i.e.: respect was included because in relationships it increases self-esteem)	2

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Standard HR.8.SM.2 Describe strategies to use social media safely, legally and respectfully	Connection WHST. 8.6	S	<i>Class</i> Create a PowerPoint presentation describing strategies to use social media safely, legally and respectfully.	Knowledge
PS.8.CC.1 Describe situations and behaviors that constitute bullying, sexual harassment, sexual abuse, sexual assault, incest, rape and dating violence	WHST.8.1	S	Students will write a paragraph describing situations and behaviors which constitute the topics (bullying, sexual abuse, etc.) Share with a partner and have them identify a minimum of three appropriate support resources for each situation.	2
PS.8.CC.2 Discuss the impacts of bullying, sexual harassment, sexual abuse, sexual assault, incest, rape and dating violence and why they are wrong	SL.8.1	S	In pairs distribute cards with specific topics (bullying, sexual harassment, etc.) One student has two minutes to discuss the impact of the specified topic on health and wellness (6 dimensions) and why the selected behavior is wrong. Second student then has one minute to discuss additional ideas and support.	3
PS.8.CC.3 Explain that no one has the right to touch anyone else in a sexual manner if they do not want to be touched	WHST.8.2	S	Create an advice column explaining why no one has the right to touch anyone else in a sexual manner if they do not want to be touched. Writing should include a minimum of three reasons with support.	3
PS.8.CC.4 Explain why a person who has been raped or sexually assaulted is not at fault	WHST.8.2	S	Write a letter to an imaginary sexual assault survivor which explains using relevant, well-chosen facts and definitions describing why they are not at fault.	3

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PS.8.AI.1 Identify sources of support such as parents or other trusted adults that they can go to if they are or someone they know is being bullied, harassed, abused or assaulted	SL.8.1	S	Using "think, pair, share" have students brainstorm to create a list of support resources for those being bullied, harassed, abused or assaulted in both the school and community/state.	1
PS.8.SM.1 Describe ways to treat others with dignity and respect	RST.8.2	М	Read various forms of text which highlight relationships between people (both positive and negative interactions) and have students identify and describe ways to treat people with dignity and respect.	2
PS.8.SM.2 Demonstrate ways they can respond when someone is being bullied or harassed	SL.8.4	S	Use role-play/skits to demonstrate ways students could respond (positively and negatively) when being bullied or harassed. Audience can identify pros and cons to each demonstration.	4
PS.8.ADV.1 Advocate for safe environments that encourage dignified and respectful treatment of everyone	WHST.8.1	S	Using a debate carousel, have students write a detailed explanation of what a safe environment that encourages dignified and respectful treatment of everyone looks like. Next, all papers move to the right and students respond to the previous comment and add comments about how to implement the described environment at their school. Papers move to the right again, third person reads first two comments and adds commentary identifying positive social outcomes in the described environments. Papers move again, and the fourth person identifies three action steps to creating the proposed environment.	4
SH.8.CC.1 Define STDs, including HIV, and how they are and are not transmitted	WHST.8.2	Μ	Create a brochure which defines HIV and STDs, which includes information on how they are or are not transmitted.	2

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Standard	Connection	(S/M/W)	Class	Knowledge
SH.8.CC.2	SL.8.1	S	Instructor reads scenarios in which characters choose to	3
Compare and contrast			engage in different sexual behaviors, including abstinence,	
behaviors, including			oral, vaginal, and anal sex – both protected and unprotected.	
abstinence, to determine the			In pairs, students discuss, and identify support for their choice	
potential risk of STD/HIV			of risk and respond with HIGH, MEDIUM, and LOW RISK cards	
transmission from each			to each scenario that the teacher reads.	
SH.8.CC.3	WHST.8.2	S	Write an informative report on the signs and symptoms and	1
Describe the signs, symptoms			potential impacts of HIV/STDs on teens/young adults.	
and potential impacts of STDs,				
including HIV				
SH.8.INF.1	RST.8.8	S	Read a scenario in which alcohol and drugs played a role in	3
Analyze the impact of alcohol			the sexual decision making of an individual. Have students	
and other drugs on safer sexual			think, pair, and share their opinion on how alcohol/drugs	
decision-making and sexual			played a role in decision-making. Students must include a	
behaviors			logical argument to support their opinion.	
SH.8.AI.1	RST.8.9	М	Compare and contrast two or more informational sources,	3
Identify medically accurate			and identify accurate and inaccurate medical information	
information about STDs,			regarding HIV/STDs.	
including HIV				
SH.8.AI.2	RI.8.10	М	Research on-line local resources which provide HIV and STD	1
Identify local STD and HIV			testing and treatment, and create a local resource list with	
testing and treatment			address, phone number and website information.	
resources				
SH.8.IC.1	SL.8.4	S	In small groups, create a video or present a public service	4
Demonstrate the use of			announcement which communicates at least three different	
effective communication skills			ways to reduce or eliminate the risk for STDs, including HIV.	
to reduce or eliminate risk for			Students must explain how their plan will reduce or eliminate	
STDs, including HIV			the risk.	

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SH.8.GS.1 Develop a plan to eliminate or reduce risk for STDs, including HIV	WHST.8.1	S	Write a short story/skit in which a character develops a plan to eliminate or reduce risk for STDs, including HIV in three different ways (ex. abstinence, use of various birth control methods, testing). Students must explain how their plan will reduce or eliminate the risk.	4
SH.8.SM.1 Describe the steps to using a condom correctly	WHST.8.2	S	In small groups; students create a checklist; present information to each other; and use the checklist to grade performance. Write an informative paragraph, including the scientific and medically accurate steps to using a condom correctly.	3

5 Grade 9-12 ELA Connections

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Standard	Connection	(S/M/W)	Class	Knowledge
AP.12.CC.1	WHST.12.2	М	After researching, describe and cite evidence from text for the	2/3
Describe the human sexual			human sexual response cycle, including the role hormones	
response cycle, including the			play.	
role hormones play			Key Words: examine, convey, research, cite evidence,	
HR.12.AI.1	W.12.4	М	Work with a teacher-librarian and counselor to identify and	4
Demonstrate how to access			select three different resources about helping to deal with	
valid information and resources			relationships. Use information to create PSAs for the school	
to help deal with relationships			bulletin.	
HR.12.AI.1	RST.12.7	S	Use the Internet to compile a list of community or online	2
Demonstrate how to access	or		resources to create an informational brochure.	
valid information and resources	RI.12.7			
to help deal with relationships				
HR.12.CC.1	W.12.4	S	Write an advice column. Students write and respond to	4
Describe characteristics of			random sexual/romantic scenarios.	
healthy and unhealthy romantic				
and/or sexual relationships				
HR.12.CC.1	W.12.2	М	1. Students write phrases or words on cards (one	2
Describe characteristics of			word/phrase per card) for both healthy and unhealthy	
healthy and unhealthy romantic			relationships.	
and/or sexual relationships			2. Students place the cards on the board in the correct	
			category.	
			3. The class creates a definition of healthy vs. unhealthy	
			based on guided discussion and the cards.	
HR.12.CC.2	SL.12.1A	W	Group brainstorm/share. Read and discuss brochure, "101	1
Describe a range of ways to			Things To Do Besides Sex." (Dept. of Health) Draw	
express affection within healthy relationships			connections to brainstormed ideas.	

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HR.12.CC.2 Describe a range of ways to express affection within healthy relationships	W.12.4	М	Create a poster to inform your peers on how to express affection within a healthy relationship.	2
HR.12.CC.3 Define sexual consent and explain its implications for sexual decision-making	WHST.12.4	S	Read the actual definition from text on sexual consent. Invite SARC (Sexual Assault Resource Center) or a similar organization to speak in class. Explain the sexual offenders list and its impact to current and future relationships of all types. Draw the Decision Making Process, then show how the decision making process could look with sexual activity in the picture.	4
HR.12.CC.3 Define sexual consent and explain its implications for sexual decision-making	W.12.2	S	Write a letter to a younger person in your life defining sexual consent and explaining implications for personal health and wellbeing in conjunction with the Wellness Wheel.	3
HR.12.CC.4 Evaluate the potentially positive and negative roles of technology and social media in relationships	RST.12.7	М	Using multiple sources of information, students will create and present a skit demonstrating a positive AND negative role of technology to the same situation. For example, a demonstration of how texting enhances conflict resolution AND a demonstration of how texting can have a negative impact on conflict resolution.	2
HR.12.IC.1 Demonstrate effective strategies to avoid or end an unhealthy relationship	SL.12.4	М	Demonstrate using role-play four different, effective strategies to avoid or end an unhealthy relationship.	2/3
HR.12.IC.2 Demonstrate effective ways to communicate personal boundaries as they relate to intimacy and sexual behavior	SL.12.4	M	Role-play effective ways to communicate and assess personal boundaries. Use Play Back or Improv to demonstrate various tactics, responses and situations. *Combine with HR.12.SM.1	2/3

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HR.12.INF.1 Explain how media can influence one's beliefs about what constitutes a healthy sexual relationship	SL.12.1	М	Brainstorm and discuss popular TV shows and the relationships involved. Compare/contrast reality vs. fiction portrayed on television. Conclude with whole-class activity: agree or disagree (vote with your body/ put yourself on the spectrum) on scenarios involving a range of sexual relationships.	2
HR.12.INF.1 Explain how media can influence one's beliefs about what constitutes a healthy sexual relationship	RST.12.7	S	Create a slide show that uses media examples to demonstrate the influence of media on our belief systems.	4
HR.12.INF.2 Analyze factors, including alcohol and other substances, that can affect the ability to give or perceive the provision of consent to sexual activity	S.12.5 or SL.12.1	S	 Utilize movie clips to illustrate factors that affect consent. 1. Students will find movie clips to use as spring boards for analyzing factors. 2. Students will participate in discussions (SL.12.1d) regarding factors and consent 	4
HR.12.SM.1 Demonstrate respect for the boundaries of others as they relate to intimacy and sexual behavior	SL.12.3	S	Role-play effective ways to communicate and assess personal boundaries. Use Play Back or Improv to demonstrate various tactics, responses and situations. *Combine with HR.12.IC.2	2/3
HR.12.SM.2 Describe strategies to use social media safely, legally and respectfully	W.12.4	S	Using a Facebook or twitter style format, students will describe strategies to use social media safely, legally and respectfully.	2

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ID.12.ADV.1 Advocate for school policies and programs that promote dignity and respect for all ID.12.CC.1	WHST.12.6	S	Select or devise an approach among many alternatives to advocate for school policies and programs that promote dignity and respect for all. For example, produce and publish a brochure promoting divergent cultures, representing diverse experiences and perspectives to communicate effectively with people of varied backgrounds. Key Words: produce, publish, feedback, information Read a scientifically accurate article that speaks medically and	3/4
Differentiate between biological sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity and expression			differentiates the analysis of what the text says explicitly; defining biological sex, sexual orientation and gender identity and expression. Key Words: Differentiate, break into constituent parts, analyze, compare	
ID.12.CC.2 Distinguish between sexual orientation, sexual behavior and sexual identity	W.12.1	S	Research, develop and write an argument introducing precise, knowledgeable claims about sexual orientation, sexual behavior and sexual identity. Key Words: Distinguish, support claims, analysis, valid, relevant, sufficient evidence	3/4
ID.12.INF.1 Analyze the influence of friends, family, media, society and culture on the expression of gender, sexual orientation and identity	RST.12.7	S	Read a scientific accurate article that speaks medically about gender, sexual orientation and gender identity and determine how it influences your attitude, reasoning or judgment based on evidence from text. Key Words: influence, evaluate, reason, judgment and speculation	2/3
ID.12.SM.1 Explain how to promote safety, respect, awareness and acceptance	SL.12.4	М	Present in a PowerPoint using scientifically accurate information explaining how to promote safety, respect, awareness and acceptance. Key Words: information, findings, supporting evidence, clear/distinctive perspective	2/3

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PD.12.CC.1	RST.12.8	М	Read a scientifically accurate article that speaks medically	2/3
Analyze how brain development			about the impact of the brain development on cognitive,	
has an impact on cognitive,			social and emotional changes of adolescence and early	
social and emotional changes of			adulthood.	
adolescence and early			Key Words: judgment, speculation, evaluate, reasoning and	
adulthood			relevance	
PD.12.DM.1	WHST.12.9	S	Reading various informational texts, create a multi-media	1/2
Apply a decision-making model			presentation demonstrating a decision-making model relating	
to various situations relating to			to sexual health.	
sexual health			Key Words: Decision-making, various,	
PD.12.INF.1	SL.12.2	S	Read critically and constructively researching scientific based	3/4
Analyze how friends, family,			articles regarding how to analyze how friends, family, media,	
media, society and culture can			society and culture influence self-concept and body image.	
influence self-concept and body			Key Words: Culture, integration of multiple sources, informed	
image			decision and analyze	
PR.12.AI.1	RST.12.8	М	Reporting out to peers, students will obtain medically	1
Access medically accurate			accurate information from school or community resources	
information about contraceptive			about contraceptive methods, including abstinence and	
methods, including abstinence			condoms.	
and condoms				
			Key Words: delineate, evaluate, validity, reasoning, accurate,	
			relevance, evidence	
PR.12.AI.2	RST.12.8	М	Reporting out to peers, students will obtain medically	3
Access medically accurate			accurate information from school or community resources	
information and resources			about emergency contraception.	
about emergency contraception				
			Key Words: delineate, evaluate, validity, reasoning, accurate,	
			relevance, evidence	

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PR.12.AI.3	RST.12.1	S	Students will cite specific textual medically accurate evidence	2/3
Access medically accurate			to support the analysis of information about pregnancy and	
information about pregnancy			pregnancy options.	
and pregnancy options			Key words: access, accurate, information, options, cite,	
			evidence, analysis	
PR.12.AI.4	WHST.12.8	М	Locate a reliable, medically accurate website to refer to	4
Access medically accurate			during pregnancy. Defend your choice of the website in	
information about prenatal care			writing. And cite your findings in standard format.	
services				
PR.12.AI.4	RST.12.7	S	Research and report local community/state resources	2
Access medically accurate			available to support information about prenatal care.	
information about prenatal care			Summarize the priorities and necessity of obtaining prenatal	
services			care.	
			Key words: resources, medically accurate, summarize,	
			priorities, necessity	
PR.12.CC.1	WHST.12.1	S	Have small groups study multiple methods of birth control	3
Compare and contrast the			comparing and contrasting the highest percentage of	
advantages and disadvantages			prevention based on scientific facts in a summary based on	
of abstinence and other			evidence in text.	
contraceptive methods,			Key Words: compare/contrast, advantage/disadvantage,	
including condoms			precise knowledge, claim, argument, concluding statement	
PR.12.CC.2	WHST.12.2	S	Write about emergency contraception and describe its	2/3
Define emergency contraception			mechanism of action by selecting the most significant and	
and describe its mechanism of			relevant facts.	
action			Key Words: define, describe, relevant, appropriate	

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PR.12.CC.3	RST.12.1	S	Research and read closely to determine what the laws says	3
Identify the laws related to			explicitly related to reproductive and sexual health care	
reproductive and sexual health			services. Students will cite from evidence in text the terms	
care services (i.e.,			contraception, pregnancy options, safe surrender policies,	
contraception, pregnancy			and prenatal care and the importance of the laws in a brief	
options, safe surrender policies,			summary.	
prenatal care)			Key words: explicitly, logical inferences, identify, cite, support	
			conclusions	
PR.12.CC.4	SL.12.5	S	Students will use digital media and visual displays to describe	2
Describe the signs of pregnancy			the signs of pregnancy in a presentation for class.	
			Key Words: describe, present, express, enhance information	
PR.12.CC.5	W.12.2	S	Read and understand teacher-selected information (text,	2
Describe prenatal practices that			pictures, video, etc.) about fetal alcohol syndrome. Construct	
can contribute to or threaten a			a PSA (bulletin board, skit, informational poster) warning	
healthy pregnancy			about negative effects of alcohol abuse during pregnancy.	
PR.12.CC.5	RST.12.9	S	Students will synthesize information about prenatal practices	4
Describe prenatal practices that			that can contribute to or threaten a healthy pregnancy from	
can contribute to or threaten a			diverse sources. For example, using a chart of current health	
healthy pregnancy			risks compared to past health risks and articulates the	
			differences due to scientific research and advances.	
			Key words: integrate, describe, coherent, understanding,	
			contribute, discrepancies, articulate	
PR.12.CC.6	W.12.1	S	Conduct classroom jigsaw web research in one of the	3
Compare and contrast the laws			following areas: 3 different state's laws (including	
relating to pregnancy, adoption,			Washington) relating to pregnancy, adoption, abortion, and	
abortion and parenting			parenting. Share out information in a classroom discussion in	
			preparation for Socratic Seminar.	

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PR.12.CC.6 Compare and contrast the laws relating to pregnancy, adoption, abortion and parenting	RST.12.1	(S/M/W) S	Research and read closely to determine what the laws says explicitly related to pregnancy, adoption, abortion and parenting. Students will cite from evidence in text the terms pregnancy, adoption, abortion and parenting, pregnancy options, and the importance of the laws in a brief summary. Key words: explicitly, logical inferences, identify, cite, support conclusions	Knowledge 3
PR.12.DM.1 Apply a decision-making model to choices about contraception, including abstinence and condoms	WHST.12.9	М	Students will dispel myths using evidence from text to develop a decision-making model when choosing contraception including abstinence and condoms. For example, producing a student-friendly myth vs. fact flyer. Key Words: myth vs. fact, evidence, decision-making, producing, analysis, reflection, and research	3
PR.12.DM.2 Assess the skills and resources needed to become a parent	WHST.12.9	S	Review parenting skills: diapering, feeding, calming, car seats, childhood illnesses/diseases, etc. in preparation for baby simulation activity. Additionally, create a budget for the first year of care.	2
PR.12.DM.2 Assess the skills and resources needed to become a parent	R.I.12.7	S	Students will research multiple digital formats for skills and resources needed to become a parent and generate a 10 minute presentation of the pertinent skills for being a parent. Key words: evaluate, assess	3
PR.12.IC.1 Demonstrate ways to communicate decisions about whether or when to engage in sexual behaviors	SL.12.4	M	Create a prevention poster or public service announcement (PSA) to communicate vital information to peers regarding the risks, impact, and prevention strategies about whether or when to engage in sexual behaviors. Key words: demonstrate, create, present, supporting evidence, distinct and clear perspectives	3

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PR.12.INF.1	RST.12.1	S	Role-play based on evidence to support the analysis of the	3
Analyze influences that may			impact on deciding whether or when to engage in sexual	
have an impact on deciding			behaviors. Students will produce a T-Chart of the pros and	
whether or when to engage in			cons and attending to the possible risks.	
sexual behaviors			Key Words: evidence, analysis, impact, compare/contrast	
PR.12.INF.2	RST.12.8	S	Students will generate questions and conduct an interview	2
Analyze internal and external			with an authorized medical professional specializing in	
influences on decisions about			pregnancy discussing all pregnancy options. Then students	
pregnancy options			will summarize in a journal format about internal and external	
			opinions based on the interview.	
			Key Words: delineate, evaluate, summarize, internal/external	
			feelings, emotions	
PR.12.INF.3	RH.12.3	М	Read teacher-selected text on teen parenting vs. planned	2
Analyze factors that influence			parenting. List the pros and cons of each while critiquing their	
decisions about whether and			findings by class discussion. Have students research and share	
when to become a parent			current events regarding teen pregnancy.	
PR.12.INF.3	RST12.2	S	Students will research the cost of having a child and produce a	3
Analyze factors that influence			pros and cons t-chart representing when to become a parent.	
decisions about whether and			Key Words: research, analyze factors, influence, decisions	
when to become a parent				
PR.12.SM.1	R.I.12.2	S	Read condom information sheet and write the sequence of	1
Describe the steps to using a			application.	
condom correctly				
PS.12.ADV.1	SL.12.4	S	Prepare a presentation to participate in a classroom debate.	4
Advocate for safe environments	and			
that encourage dignified and	W.12.4			
respectful treatment of				
everyone				

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PS.12.AI.1	R.SS.12.7	S	Use the Internet to compile a list of community or online	2
Access valid resources for help if	or		resources to create an informational brochure.	
they or someone they know are	R.Inf.12.7			
being bullied or harassed, or				
have been sexually abused or				
assaulted				
PS.12.AI.2	R.SS.12.7	S	Use the Internet to compile a list of community or online	2
Demonstrate ways to access	or		resources. Assign topics to different groups. Create an	
accurate information and	R.Inf.12.7		informational flyer.	
resources for survivors of sexual				
abuse, incest, rape, sexual				
harassment, sexual assault and				
dating violence				
PS.12.CC.1	R.SS.12.3	М	Read a scenario of a date rape; compare and contrast the	4
Compare and contrast situations			verbal and nonverbal cues and internal thought processes of	
and behaviors that may			the two individuals involved.	
constitute bullying, sexual				
harassment, sexual abuse,				
sexual assault, incest, rape and				
dating violence				
PS.12.CC.2	R.I.12.1		Students will create a PowerPoint presentation analyzing each	4
Analyze the laws related to		S	topic/law and including specified criteria for each.	
bullying, sexual harassment,				
sexual abuse, sexual assault,				
incest, rape and dating violence		6		
PS.12.CC.3	W.12.2	S	Students will write a persuasive paper explaining why tricks,	3
Explain why using tricks, threats			threats or coercion in relationships is wrong.	
or coercion in relationships is				
wrong				

National Sexuality Education	CCSS-ELA	Strength	Example Lesson Idea or Activity in Sexual Health Education	Depth of
Standard	Connection	(S/M/W)	Class	Knowledge
PS.12.IC.1	SL.10.4	S	Practicing assertiveness, students will role-play a situation	3
Demonstrate effective ways to			where they are telling a trusted adult their concerns for a	
communicate with trusted			person (or themself) dealing with harassment, intimidation,	
adults about bullying,			bullying or abuse.	
harassment, abuse or assault				
PS.12.IC.1	W.12.4	S	Students will write a letter to a trusted adult expressing	3
Demonstrate effective ways to			concern for a person (or themself) dealing with harassment,	
communicate with trusted			intimidation, bullying or abuse.	
adults about bullying,				
harassment, abuse or assault				
PS.12.IC.2	SL.12.5	М	Students will either 1) Bring movie clip examples to show	4
Identify ways in which they			responses to bullying and harassment and explain the	
could respond when someone			strength of these responses to their peers, or 2) create a	
else is being bullied or harassed			video to show responses and inform their peers.	
PS.12.INF.1	W.12.3	S	Based on the older paternity instructional book called	4
Describe potential impacts of			Patman, use a comic book style format to describe and	
power differences (e.g., age,			illustrate a potential impact of power differences.	
status or position) within sexual relationships				
PS.12.INF.2	R.SS.12.7	S	Create a collage that utilizes images, words and phrases (from	4
Analyze the external influences			magazines, songs, movies, commercials, etc) to identify and	
and societal messages that			examine external influences.	
impact attitudes about bullying,				
sexual harassment, sexual				
abuse, sexual assault, incest,				
rape and dating violence				
SH.12.ADV.1	WHST.12.4	М	Create school bulletin board to inform students about places	2
Advocate for sexually active			to go get HIV/STD tested and treated. Include	
youth to get STD/HIV testing			pamphlets/brochures from the health department on HIV and	
and treatment			other STD's.	

National Sexuality Education Standard	CCSS-ELA Connection	Strength (S/M/W)	Example Lesson Idea or Activity in Sexual Health Education Class	Depth of Knowledge
SH.12.ADV.1 Advocate for sexually active youth to get STD/HIV testing and treatment	W.12.4	S	Write a PSA to inform your peers to get STD/HIV testing and treatment.	3
SH.12.AI.1 Explain how to access local STD and HIV testing and treatment services	W.12.4	S	Research, write, and publish a brochure explaining how to access local STD and HIV testing and treatment services. Refer to CDC and Washington State Health web sites.	2
SH.12.AI.1 Explain how to access local STD and HIV testing and treatment services	SL12.2	S	Research and report local community/state resources available to support information about STD/HIV testing and treatment services. Summarize the priorities and necessity of obtaining STD/HIV testing and treatment services. Key words: resources, medically accurate, summarize, priorities, necessity	3
SH.12.AI.2 Access medically accurate prevention information about STDs, including HIV	RH.12.2	S	Refer students to the CDC or WA State Health website to answer questions about STD's and HIV.	1
SH.12.AI.2 Access medically accurate prevention information about STDs, including HIV	R.ST.12.9	М	Display STD information around the room in learning stations. Students work in small groups to complete a worksheet regarding STD prevention.	1
SH.12.CC.1 Describe common symptoms of and treatments for STDs, including HIV	WHST.12.2	М	Students will participate in group projects creating informational STD posters using information accessed during content building lesson.	2

National Sexuality Education Standard				Depth of Knowledge
SH.12.CC.1 Describe common symptoms of and treatments for STDs, including HIV	RST.12.4	S	In small groups students will select either HIV/AIDS or one STD to research the following: HIV/AIDS, Herpes, Hepatitis B, Pubic Lice, Syphilis, Trichomoniasis, Genital Warts, Bacterial Vaginosis, Chlamydia and Gonorrhea and describe how HIV and other STD's are transmitted/ prevented. Key Words: describe, meaning, common, symptoms, treatments	2
SH.12.CC.2 Evaluate the effectiveness of abstinence, condoms and other safer sex methods in preventing the spread of STDs, including HIV	WHST.12.2	S	Watch video <i>Take Charge</i> (or similar) about managing sexual health. Create a class chart comparing/contrasting ways to reduce their risks of contracting STDs and HIV.	2
SH.12.CC.2 Evaluate the effectiveness of abstinence, condoms and other safer sex methods in preventing the spread of STDs, including HIV	R.ST.12.9	M	You are an STD expert: Develop a question and answer column evaluating the effectiveness of safer sex methods in preventing STDs following the criteria provided.	4
SH.12.CC.3 Describe the laws related to sexual health care services, including STD and HIV testing and treatment	SL.12.1d	M	Invite guest speaker (Planned Parenthood rep, school nurse, etc.) to inform students about laws regarding sexual health care services, STD and HIV testing and treatment. Participate in Q & A session and complete exit slips summarizing learning/ asking questions in preparation for follow-up discussion.	1
SH.12.CC.3 Describe the laws related to sexual health care services, including STD and HIV testing and treatment	R.I.12.1	S	Students will create a fact sheet analyzing each topic/law and including specified criteria for each.	4

National Sexuality Education Standard				Depth of Knowledge
SH.12.DM.1 Apply a decision-making model to choices about safer sex practices, including abstinence and condoms	SL.12.4	S	Write and perform skits outlining various safer sex practice scenarios, including abstinence and condoms.	4
SH.12.GS.1 Develop a plan to eliminate or reduce risk for STDs, including HIV	WHST.12.2	S	Create a group poster educating about consequences of contracting an STD. Include pictures and current statistics. Create abstinence flyers to post around the school. Include definition and reasons to be or remain abstinent.	4
SH.12.GS.1 Develop a plan to eliminate or reduce risk for STDs, including HIV	WHST.12.7	М	Use the Internet to create a plan to reduce risk for STDs, including HIV. Include: behaviors, actions, decision making, chemicals, birth control methods, etc. Be sure to include a personal reflection piece about your beliefs and plans. Use and cite a minimum of 3 reliable resources.	4
SH.12.IC.1 Demonstrate skills to communicate with a partner about STD and HIV prevention and testing	SL.12.1	S	Practice answering a variety of scenarios with a peer about STD's/STI's and HIV prevention treatment. Share the scenarios and suggestions with their peers.	3
SH.12.IC.1 Demonstrate skills to communicate with a partner about STD and HIV prevention and testing	SL.12.4	S	Role-play based on evidence to support the analysis of the impact on deciding whether or when to engage in sexual behaviors and demonstrate how to communicate about HIV/STD prevention/testing with a sexual partner. Students will produce a T-Chart of the pros and cons and attending to the possible risks. Key Words: evidence, analysis, impact, compare/contrast	3
SH.12.INF.1 Analyze factors that may influence condom use and other safer sex decisions	WHST.12.4	S	Class discussion on "Why are teen pregnancies and STD's/STI's a problem. Initiate a goal setting and decision making activity. Where am I now, where do I want to be? Where do I see myself 5 and 10 years from now?	1

National Sexuality Education Standard	CCSS-ELA Connection	Strength (S/M/W)	Example Lesson Idea or Activity in Sexual Health Education Class	Depth of Knowledge
SH.12.INF.1 Analyze factors that may influence condom use and other safer sex decisions	SL.12.1	S	 Utilize movie clips to illustrate factors that affect decision making. 1. Students will find movie clips to use as spring boards for analyzing factors. 2. Students will participate in discussions (SL.12.1d) regarding factors 	4
SH.12.SM.1 Analyze individual responsibility about testing for and informing partners about STDs and HIV status	SL.12.1	М	STD transmission activity (lesson 2, p. 88- KNOW curriculum for high school. STD/HIV demonstration activity using vinegar and water. Follow up with a debrief discussion.	2
SH.12.SM.2 Describe the steps to using a condom correctly	SL.12.1	М	KNOW curriculum: sequence for correct condom use activity, lesson 4, page 107. Discuss and clarify steps to review. Pass out a number of different styles of packaged condoms. Practice looking at expiration dates, and checking that the seal is not broken; which causes them to dry out.	1
SH.12.SM.2 Describe the steps to using a condom correctly	R.ST.12.3	Μ	Create and label the steps to condom use in the correct sequence. (Condom Line up Cards)	1

6 Data Analysis Approach

The purpose of this section is to describe the data collection and analysis approach for the standards comparison work between the NSES and the WA Sexual Health Guidelines. The second workshop, involving a comparison of the NSES with the CCSS-ELA, did not involve any analytics.

6.1 Data Collection

Reviewers used a paper form to collect relationships, strengths, and comments. The scores were entered into an Excel spreadsheet for further analysis and graph production.

Several tests were conducted, using random validation of scores, to ensure that the data entry process was error-free.

All eight reviewers completed their comparisons for grade ranges 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12. Five of the eight completed the K-2 comparison and a sixth reviewer completed almost all of the K-2 comparison.

ID	K-2	3-5	6-8	HS
137	х	х	х	х
138	х	х	х	х
139	х	х	х	х
140	х	х	х	х
141		х	х	х
142	х	х	х	х
143		х	х	х
144	х	х	х	х

Most data was collected at the review session. Eleven forms were completed and submitted electronically within a week of the review.

Reviewer data record counts were completed. There were 1296 unique ratings for the NSES – WA Sexual Health Guidelines relationships, and 947 unique ratings for the NSES-HFS relationships.

25 of the 2,243 unique ratings (1.1%) were missing partial data, most typically a strength rating for the relationship. Where the strength data was missing but all other relationship data was entered, the data was recoded at the most conservative level – weak. In five instances of the 25, the HFS Grade Level Expectation was missing. These five records were removed from the analysis, although associated complete data for the NSES – WA Sexual Health Guidelines relationships were kept.

Reviewers could code each identified relationship as (s)trong, (m)edium, or (w)eak. To facilitate analysis, the data was recoded as (s)=4, (m)=2, and (w)=1.

6.2 Exploratory Data Analysis

First, the data was visually examined for bias. A brief analysis of the reviewer data showed consistent patterns with assignments of strong medium and weak for HFS relationships (see Figure 16 below). The lowest variability involved the assignments for strong. Medium and weak ratings had higher variability, but as shown in the figure below, all reviewers followed a fairly consistent pattern.

The general finding was that reviewers were consistent in their scoring patterns for the standards relationships. One of the eight reviewers in the first group had a markedly different scoring pattern than the others, however, analysis of the data with and without that reviewer's data showed similar outcomes. Subsequent analysis used all the data.

In contrast, there was more variability in the response pattern among the reviewers related to the WA Sexual Health Guidelines strength ratings. This can be explained by the nature of the guidelines, which are broad-based rather than specific like other standards sets, leaving the reviewer more room for interpretation in their professional judgment.

Health & Fitn	Grand				
Row Labels	S	M	W	Trend	Total
137	17	51	88	/	156
138	8	36	55	/	99
139	10	17	56	/	83
140	15	37	60	/	112
141	15	17	92	_/	124
142	3	41	90	/	134
143	11	27	67	/	105
144	14	53	68	/	135
Grand Total	93	279	576		948

WA Guidelin	Grand				
Reviewer	S	M	W	Trend	Total
137	32	55	91	/	178
138	21	47	67	/	135
139	74	31	42	\searrow	147
140	84	28	36	1	148
141	48	77	62	~	187
142	23	88	50	~	161
143	81	45	41	/	167
144	104	62	7	/	173
Grand Total	467	433	396		1296

Figure 16. Trend lines showing counts of S, M, W ratings by reviewer for H&F standards.



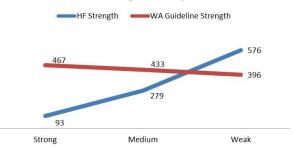


Figure 18. Comparison of the strength ratings between NSES, HFS, and the WA Sexual Health Guidelines.

Figure 17. Trend lines showing counts of S, M, W ratings by reviewer for WA Sexual Health Guidelines.

The chart at the left tells a compelling story. Note that there were very few strong relationships between the NSES and HFS. In contrast, the majority of relationships between the NSES and the WA Sexual Health Guidelines were characterized as strong.

Most of the subsequent analysis involved creating frequency distributions showing simple weighted counts, so no additional exploratory data analysis was necessary.

Appendix A. Washington Guidelines for Sexual Health Information and Disease Prevention

1. Skills & Relationships

- 1.1. Identify resources to address individual needs, for present and future concerns and questions.
- 1.2. Enlighten young people to develop and apply health-promoting behaviors, including disease prevention and detection and accessing accurate health information that is age appropriate.
- 1.3. Address the health needs of all youth who are sexually active, including how to access health services.
- 1.4. Provide information on local resources for testing and medical care for STDs and pregnancy.

2. Decision Making

- 2.1. Promote the development of intrapersonal and interpersonal skills including a sense of dignity and self-worth and the communication, decision-making, assertiveness and refusal skills necessary to reduce health risks and choose healthy behaviors.
- 2.2. Encourage young people to develop and maintain healthy, respectful and meaningful relationships and avoid exploitative or manipulative relationships.
- 2.3. Promote healthy self-esteem, positive body image, good self-care, respect for others, caring for family and friends and a responsibility to community.
- 2.4. Teach youth that learning about sexuality is a lifelong process as the needs and circumstances of an individual change.

3. Age, Culture & Communication

- 3.1. Are age and culturally appropriate.
- 3.2. Encourage and improve communication, especially around growth and development, with parents/guardians and other trusted adults. (The quality of parent-child communications about sex and sexuality appears to be a strong determinant of adolescents' sexual behavior).
- 3.3. Recognize and respect people with differing personal and family values.
- 3.4. Address the impact of media and peer messages on thoughts, feelings, cultural norms and behaviors related to sexuality as well as address social pressures related to sexual behaviors.
- 3.5. Encourage community support and reinforcement of key messages by other adults and information sources.

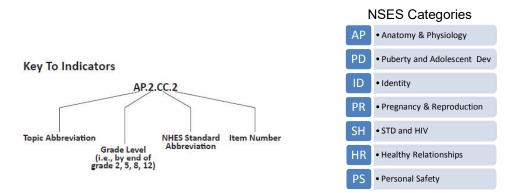
4. Anatomy & Physiology

4.1. Use information and materials that are medically and scientifically accurate and objective.

4.2. Provide information about sexual anatomy and physiology and the stages, patterns, and responsibilities associated with growth and development.

5. Prevention

- 5.1. Stress that abstinence from sexual activity is the only certain way to avoid pregnancy and to reduce the risk of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), including HIV.
- 5.2. Acknowledge that people may choose to abstain from sexual activity at various points in their lives.
- 5.3. Provide accurate information about STDs including how STDs are and are not transmitted and the effectiveness of all FDA approved methods of reducing the risk of contracting STDs.
- 5.4. Provide accurate information about the effectiveness and safety of all FDA-approved contraceptive methods in preventing pregnancy.



Appendix B. National Sexuality Education Standards

Code	Description
AP.2.CC.1	Use proper names for body parts, including male and female anatomy
HR.2.CC.1	Identify different kinds of family structures
HR.2.CC.2	Describe the characteristics of a friend
HR.2.IC.1	Demonstrate ways to show respect for different types of families
HR.2.IC.2	Identify healthy ways for friends to express feelings to each other
ID.2.CC.1	Describe differences and similarities in how boys and girls may be expected to act
ID.2.INF.1	Provide examples of how friends, family, media, society and culture influence ways in which
	boys and girls think they should act
PR.2.CC.1	Explain that all living things reproduce
PS.2.AI.1	Identify parents and other trusted adults they can tell if they are feeling uncomfortable
	about being touched
PS.2.AI.2	Identify parents and other trusted adults they can tell if they are being bullied or teased
PS.2.CC.1	Explain that all people, including children, have the right to tell others not to touch their
	body when they do not want to be touched
PS.2.CC.2	Explain what bullying and teasing are
PS.2.CC.3	Explain why bullying and teasing are wrong
PS.2.IC.1	Demonstrate how to respond if someone is touching them in a way that makes them feel
	uncomfortable
PS.2.IC.2	Demonstrate how to respond if someone is bullying or teasing them
PS.2.SM.1	Demonstrate how to clearly say no, how to leave an uncomfortable situation, and how to
	identify and talk with a trusted adult if someone is touching them in a way that makes them
	feel uncomfortable
AP.5.AI.1	Identify medically accurate information about female and male reproductive anatomy
AP.5.CC.1	Describe male and female reproductive systems including body parts and their functions
HR.5.AI.1	Identify parents and other trusted adults they can talk to about relationships
HR.5.CC.1	Describe the characteristics of healthy relationships
HR.5.IC.1	Demonstrate positive ways to communicate differences of opinion while maintaining
	relationships
HR.5.INF.1	Compare positive and negative ways friends and peers can influence relationships
HR.5.SM.1	Demonstrate ways to treat others with dignity and respect
ID.5.ADV.1	Demonstrate ways students can work together to promote dignity and respect for all people

Code	Description
ID.5.AI.1	Identify parents or other trusted adults of whom students can ask questions about sexual orientation
ID.5.CC.1	Define sexual orientation as the romantic attraction of an individual to someone of the same gender or a different gender
ID.5.SM.1	Demonstrate ways to treat others with dignity and respect
PD.5.AI.1	Identify medically accurate information and resources about puberty and personal hygiene
PD.5.AI.2	Identify parents or other trusted adults of whom students can ask questions about puberty and adolescent health issues
PD.5.CC.1	Explain the physical, social and emotional changes that occur during puberty and adolescence
PD.5.CC.2	Explain how the timing of puberty and adolescent development varies considerably and can still be healthy
PD.5.CC.3	Describe how puberty prepares human bodies for the potential to reproduce
PD.5.INF.1	Describe how friends, family, media, society and culture can influence ideas about body image
PD.5.SM.1	Explain ways to manage the physical and emotional changes associated with puberty
PR.5.CC.1	Describe the process of human reproduction
PS.5.ADV.1	Persuade others to take action when someone else is being teased, harassed or bullied
PS.5.AI.1	Identify parents and other trusted adults they can tell if they are being teased, harassed or bullied
PS.5.AI.2	Identify parents or other trusted adults they can tell if they are being sexually harassed or abused
PS.5.CC.1	Define teasing, harassment and bullying and explain why they are wrong
PS.5.CC.2	Define sexual harassment and sexual abuse
PS.5.IC.1	Demonstrate ways to communicate about how one is being treated
PS.5.IC.2	Demonstrate refusal skills (e.g. clear "no" statement, walk away, repeat refusal)
PS.5.INF.1	Explain why people tease, harass or bully others
PS.5.SM.1	Discuss effective ways in which students could respond when they are or someone else is being teased, harassed or bullied
SH.5.CC.1	Define HIV and identify some age appropriate methods of transmission, as well as ways to prevent transmission
AP.8.AI.1	Identify accurate and credible sources of information about sexual health
AP.8.CC.1	Describe male and female sexual and reproductive systems including body parts and their functions
HR.8.CC.1	Compare and contrast the characteristics of healthy and unhealthy relationships
HR.8.CC.2	Describe the potential impacts of power differences such as age, status or position within relationships
HR.8.CC.3	Analyze the similarities and differences between friendships and romantic relationships
HR.8.CC.4	Describe a range of ways people express affection within various types of relationships
HR.8.CC.5	Describe the advantages and disadvantages of communicating using technology and social media
HR.8.GS.1	Develop a plan to stay safe when using social media
HR.8.IC.1	Demonstrate communication skills that foster healthy relationships
HR.8.IC.2	Demonstrate effective ways to communicate personal boundaries and show respect for the boundaries of others

Code	Description
HR.8.IC.3	Demonstrate effective skills to negotiate agreements about the use of technology in relationships
HR.8.INF.1	Analyze the ways in which friends, family, media, society and culture can influence relationships
HR.8.INF.2	Analyze the impact of technology and social media on friendships and relationships
HR.8.SM.1	Explain the criteria for evaluating the health of a relationship
HR.8.SM.2	Describe strategies to use social media safely, legally and respectfully
ID.8.ADV.1	Develop a plan to promote dignity and respect for all people in the school community
ID.8.AI.1	Access accurate information about gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation
ID.8.CC.1	Differentiate between gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation
ID.8.CC.2	Explain the range of gender roles
ID.8.IC.1	Communicate respectfully with and about people of all gender identities, gender expressions and sexual orientations
ID.8.INF.1	Analyze external influences that have an impact on one's attitudes about gender, sexual orientation and gender identity
PD.8.AI.1	Identify medically accurate sources of information about puberty, adolescent development and sexuality
PD.8.CC.1	Describe the physical, social, cognitive and emotional changes of adolescence
PD.8.DM.1	Demonstrate the use of a decision-making model and evaluate possible outcomes of decisions adolescents might make
PD.8.INF.1	Analyze how friends, family, media, society and culture can influence self-concept and body image
PR.8.AI.1	Identify medically accurate resources about pregnancy prevention and reproductive health care
PR.8.AI.2	Identify medically accurate information about emergency contraception
PR.8.AI.3	Identify medically accurate sources of pregnancy-related information and support including pregnancy options, safe surrender policies and prenatal care
PR.8.CC.1	Define sexual intercourse and its relationship to human reproduction
PR.8.CC.2	Define sexual abstinence as it relates to pregnancy prevention
PR.8.CC.3	Explain the health benefits, risks and effectiveness rates of various methods of contraception, including abstinence and condoms
PR.8.CC.4	Define emergency contraception and its use
PR.8.CC.5	Describe the signs and symptoms of a pregnancy
PR.8.CC.6	Identify prenatal practices that can contribute to a healthy pregnancy
PR.8.DM.1	Apply a decision-making model to various sexual health decisions
PR.8.IC.1	Demonstrate the use of effective communication skills to support one's decision to abstain from sexual behaviors
PR.8.IC.2	Demonstrate the use of effective communication and negotiation skills about the use of contraception including abstinence and condoms
PR.8.INF.1	Examine how alcohol and other substances, friends, family, media, society and culture influence decisions about engaging in sexual behaviors
PR.8.SM.1	Describe the steps to using a condom correctly
PS.8.ADV.1	Advocate for safe environments that encourage dignified and respectful treatment of everyone
PS.8.AI.1	Identify sources of support such as parents or other trusted adults that they can go to if

Code	Description
	they are or someone they know is being bullied, harassed, abused or assaulted
PS.8.CC.1	Describe situations and behaviors that constitute bullying, sexual harassment, sexual abuse,
	sexual assault, incest, rape and dating violence
PS.8.CC.2	Discuss the impacts of bullying, sexual harassment, sexual abuse, sexual assault, incest, rape
	and dating violence and why they are wrong
PS.8.CC.3	Explain that no one has the right to touch anyone else in a sexual manner if they do not
	want to be touched
PS.8.CC.4	Explain why a person who has been raped or sexually assaulted is not at fault
PS.8.IC.1	Demonstrate ways to communicate with trusted adults about bullying, harassment, abuse
	or assault
PS.8.SM.1	Describe ways to treat others with dignity and respect
PS.8.SM.2	Demonstrate ways they can respond when someone is being bullied or harassed
SH.8.AI.1	Identify medically accurate information about STDs, including HIV
SH.8.AI.2	Identify local STD and HIV testing and treatment resources
SH.8.CC.1	Define STDs, including HIV, and how they are and are not transmitted
SH.8.CC.2	Compare and contrast behaviors, including abstinence, to determine the potential risk of STD/HIV transmission from each
SH.8.CC.3	Describe the signs, symptoms and potential impacts of STDs, including HIV
SH.8.GS.1	Develop a plan to eliminate or reduce risk for STDs, including HIV
SH.8.IC.1	Demonstrate the use of effective communication skills to reduce or eliminate risk for STDs,
511.0.10.1	including HIV
SH.8.INF.1	Analyze the impact of alcohol and other drugs on safer sexual decision-making and sexual
511.0.1111.1	behaviors
SH.8.SM.1	Describe the steps to using a condom correctly
AP.12.CC.1	Describe the human sexual response cycle, including the role hormones play
HR.12.AI.1	Demonstrate how to access valid information and resources to help deal with relationships
HR.12.CC.1	Describe characteristics of healthy and unhealthy romantic and/or sexual relationships
HR.12.CC.2	Describe a range of ways to express affection within healthy relationships
HR.12.CC.3	Define sexual consent and explain its implications for sexual decision-making
HR.12.CC.4	Evaluate the potentially positive and negative roles of technology and social media in
	relationships
HR.12.IC.1	Demonstrate effective strategies to avoid or end an unhealthy relationship
HR.12.IC.2	Demonstrate effective ways to communicate personal boundaries as they relate to intimacy
	and sexual behavior
HR.12.INF.1	Explain how media can influence one's beliefs about what constitutes a healthy sexual
	relationship
HR.12.INF.2	Analyze factors, including alcohol and other substances, that can affect the ability to give or
	perceive the provision of consent to sexual activity
HR.12.SM.1	Demonstrate respect for the boundaries of others as they relate to intimacy and sexual
	behavior
HR.12.SM.2	Describe strategies to use social media safely, legally and respectfully
ID.12.ADV.1	Advocate for school policies and programs that promote dignity and respect for all
ID.12.CC.1	Differentiate between biological sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity and expression
ID.12.CC.2	Distinguish between sexual orientation, sexual behavior and sexual identity
ID.12.INF.1	Analyze the influence of friends, family, media, society and culture on the expression of

Code	Description
	gender, sexual orientation and identity
ID.12.SM.1	Explain how to promote safety, respect, awareness and acceptance
PD.12.CC.1	Analyze how brain development has an impact on cognitive, social and emotional changes of adolescence and early adulthood
PD.12.DM.1	Apply a decision-making model to various situations relating to sexual health
PD.12.INF.1	Analyze how friends, family, media, society and culture can influence self-concept and body
PD.12.INF.1	image
PR.12.AI.1	Access medically accurate information about contraceptive methods, including abstinence and condoms
PR.12.AI.2	Access medically accurate information and resources about emergency contraception
PR.12.AI.3	Access medically accurate information about pregnancy and pregnancy options
PR.12.AI.4	Access medically accurate information about prenatal care services
PR.12.CC.1	Compare and contrast the advantages and disadvantages of abstinence and other
	contraceptive methods, including condoms
PR.12.CC.2	Define emergency contraception and describe its mechanism of action
PR.12.CC.3	Identify the laws related to reproductive and sexual health care services (i.e., contraception,
	pregnancy options, safe surrender policies, prenatal care)
PR.12.CC.4	Describe the signs of pregnancy
PR.12.CC.5	Describe prenatal practices that can contribute to or threaten a healthy pregnancy
PR.12.CC.6	Compare and contrast the laws relating to pregnancy, adoption, abortion and parenting
PR.12.DM.1	Apply a decision-making model to choices about contraception, including abstinence and
	condoms
PR.12.DM.2	Assess the skills and resources needed to become a parent
PR.12.IC.1	Demonstrate ways to communicate decisions about whether or when to engage in sexual
	behaviors
PR.12.INF.1	Analyze influences that may have an impact on deciding whether or when to engage in sexual behaviors
PR.12.INF.2	Analyze internal and external influences on decisions about pregnancy options
PR.12.INF.3	Analyze factors that influence decisions about whether and when to become a parent
PR.12.SM.1	Describe the steps to using a condom correctly
PS.12.ADV.1	Advocate for safe environments that encourage dignified and respectful treatment of everyone
PS.12.AI.1	Access valid resources for help if they or someone they know are being bullied or harassed,
_	or have been sexually abused or assaulted
PS.12.AI.2	Demonstrate ways to access accurate information and resources for survivors of sexual
	abuse, incest, rape, sexual harassment, sexual assault and dating violence
PS.12.CC.1	Compare and contrast situations and behaviors that may constitute bullying, sexual
	harassment, sexual abuse, sexual assault, incest, rape and dating violence
PS.12.CC.2	Analyze the laws related to bullying, sexual harassment, sexual abuse, sexual assault, incest,
	rape and dating violence
PS.12.CC.3	Explain why using tricks, threats or coercion in relationships is wrong
PS.12.CC.4	Explain why a person who has been raped or sexually assaulted is not at fault
PS.12.IC.1	Demonstrate effective ways to communicate with trusted adults about bullying,
_	harassment, abuse or assault
PS.12.IC.2	Identify ways in which they could respond when someone else is being bullied or harassed

Code	Description
PS.12.INF.1	Describe potential impacts of power differences (e.g., age, status or position) within sexual relationships
PS.12.INF.2	Analyze the external influences and societal messages that impact attitudes about bullying, sexual harassment, sexual abuse, sexual assault, incest, rape and dating violence
SH.12.ADV.1	Advocate for sexually active youth to get STD/HIV testing and treatment
SH.12.AI.1	Explain how to access local STD and HIV testing and treatment services
SH.12.AI.2	Access medically accurate prevention information about STDs, including HIV
SH.12.CC.1	Describe common symptoms of and treatments for STDs, including HIV
SH.12.CC.2	Evaluate the effectiveness of abstinence, condoms and other safer sex methods in preventing the spread of STDs, including HIV
SH.12.CC.3	Describe the laws related to sexual health care services, including STD and HIV testing and treatment
SH.12.DM.1	Apply a decision-making model to choices about safer sex practices, including abstinence and condoms
SH.12.GS.1	Develop a plan to eliminate or reduce risk for STDs, including HIV
SH.12.IC.1	Demonstrate skills to communicate with a partner about STD and HIV prevention and testing
SH.12.INF.1	Analyze factors that may influence condom use and other safer sex decisions
SH.12.SM.1	Analyze individual responsibility about testing for and informing partners about STDs and HIV status
SH.12.SM.2	Describe the steps to using a condom correctly

Appendix C. Washington State K-12 Health & Fitness Learning Standards

Grade	GLE	Description
К	2.1.1	Understands dimensions and indicators of health (emotional, physical, intellectual, and social).
К	2.2.1	Understands the structure and function of body systems.
К	2.3.1	Recognizes how to prevent or reduce the risk of contracting a communicable disease.
К	2.3.2	Recognizes how to prevent or reduce the risks of non-communicable disease.
К	2.4.1	Recognizes abusive and risky situations and identifies safe behaviors to prevent injury to self and others at home, school, and in the community.
К	2.4.2	Recognizes emergency situations and demonstrates skills to respond appropriately and safely.
К	2.4.3	Recognizes negative and positive effects of stress and stress management techniques.
К	3.1.1	Understands how family factors affect health.
К	3.2.1	Recognizes reliable sources of health and fitness information.
К	3.3.1	Understands that social skills are necessary to promote health and safety.
К	3.4.1	Understands emotions and how they affect self and others.
К	3.5.1	Identifies decision-making skills.
К	4.1.1	Recognizes daily health and fitness habits.
1	2.1.1	Understands dimensions and indicators of health.
1	2.2.1	Recognizes the structure and function of body systems.
1	2.3.1	Understands how to prevent or reduce the risk of contracting a communicable disease.
1	2.3.2	Recognizes how to prevent or reduce the risks of non-communicable disease.
1	2.4.1	Understands abusive and risky situations and illustrates safe behaviors to prevent injury to self and others at home, school, and in the community.
1	2.4.2	Understands emergency situations and demonstrates skills to respond appropriately and safely.
1	2.4.3	Understands positive and negative effects of stress and stress management techniques.
1	2.4.5	Recognizes issues and risks related to drug use and abuse.
1	3.1.1	Understands how family factors affect health.
1	3.2.1	Understands reliable sources of health and fitness information.
1	3.3.1	Understands that social skills are necessary to promote health and safety.
1	3.4.1	Understands emotions and how they affect self and others.
1	3.5.1	Understands decision-making skills.
1	4.1.1	Understands daily health and fitness habits.
2	2.1.1	Understands dimensions and indicators of health.
2	2.2.1	Recognizes structure and function of body systems.
2	2.3.1	Understands how to prevent or reduce the risk of contracting a communicable disease.
2	2.3.2	Understands how to prevent or reduce the risks of non-communicable disease.
2	2.4.1	Understands abusive and risky situations and illustrates safe behaviors to prevent injury to self and others at home, school, and in the community.

Grade	GLE	Description
2	2.4.2	Understands emergency situations and demonstrates skills to respond appropriately and safely.
2	2.4.3	Understands positive and negative effects of stress and stress management techniques.
2	2.4.5	Understands issues and risks related to drug use and abuse.
2	3.1.1	Understands how family factors affect health.
2	3.2.1	Understands reliable sources of health and fitness information.
2	3.3.1	Understands that social skills are necessary to promote health and safety.
2	3.4.1	Understands emotions and how they affect self and others.
2	3.5.1	Demonstrates decision-making skills.
2	4.1.1	Understands daily health and fitness habits.
3	2.1.1	Understands dimensions and indicators of health.
3	2.2.1	Understands structure and function of body systems.
3	2.3.1	Understands how to prevent or reduce the risk of contracting a communicable disease.
3	2.3.2	Understands how to prevent or reduce the risks of non-communicable disease.
3	2.4.1	Understands abusive and risky situations and illustrates safe behaviors to prevent injury to
		self and others at home, school, and in the community.
3	2.4.2	Understands emergency situations and demonstrates skills to respond appropriately and
		safely.
3	2.4.3	Understands positive and negative effects of stress and stress management techniques.
3	2.4.5	Understands issues and risks related to drug use and abuse.
3	3.1.1	Understands how family factors affect health.
3	3.1.2	Understands the effects of environmental and external factors on personal, family, and community health.
3	3.2.1	Analyzes reliable sources of health and fitness information.
3	3.2.2	Analyzes health and fitness messages in the media.
3	3.3.1	Understands necessary social skills to promote health and safety.
3	3.4.1	Understands emotions and how they affect self and others.
3	3.5.1	Applies decision-making skills.
3	4.1.1	Understands daily health and fitness habits.
3	4.2.1	Applies goals for improving health and fitness practices.
4	2.1.1	Understands dimensions and indicators of health.
4	2.2.1	Understands structure and function of body systems.
4	2.2.2	Understands how to maintain sexual health throughout life.
4	2.2.3	Understands hereditary factors that affect growth, development, and health.
4	2.3.1	Understands how to prevent or reduce the risk of contracting a communicable disease.
4	2.3.2	Understands how to prevent or reduce the risks of non-communicable disease.
4	2.4.1	Understands abusive and risky situations and illustrates safe behaviors to prevent injury to
		self and others at home, school, and in the community.
4	2.4.2	Understands emergency situations and demonstrates skills to respond appropriately and safely.
4	2.4.3	Understands positive and negative effects of stress and stress management techniques.
	2.4.5	Understands issues and risks related to drug use and abuse.

Grade	GLE	Description
4	3.1.1	Understands how family and cultural factors affect health.
4	3.1.2	Understands how environmental factors affect health.
4	3.2.1	Analyzes reliable sources of health and fitness information.
4	3.2.2	Analyzes health and fitness messages in the media.
4	3.3.1	Understands necessary social skills to promote health and safety.
4	3.4.1	Applies a variety of emotional-response strategies.
4	3.5.1	Applies decision-making skills.
4	4.1.1	Applies daily health and fitness habits.
4	4.2.1	Applies goals for improving health and fitness practices.
5	2.1.1	Understands dimensions and indicators of health.
5	2.2.1	Understands structure and function of body systems.
5	2.2.2	Understands changes occurring during puberty.
5	2.2.3	Understands hereditary factors that affect growth, development, and health.
5	2.3.1	Understands how to prevent or reduce the risk of contracting a communicable disease.
5	2.3.2	Understands how to prevent or reduce the risks of non-communicable disease.
5	2.4.1	Understands abusive and risky situations and illustrates safe behaviors to prevent injury to
		self and others at home, school, and in the community.
5	2.4.2	Understands emergency situations and demonstrates skills to respond appropriately and
-	2.4.2	safely.
5	2.4.3	Understands positive and negative effects of stress and stress management techniques.
5	2.4.5	Understands issues and risks related to drug use and abuse.
5	3.1.1	Understands how family and cultural factors affect health.
5	3.1.2	Understands how environmental factors affect health.
5	3.2.1	Analyzes reliable sources of health and fitness information.
5	3.2.2	Analyzes health and fitness messages in the media.
5	3.3.1	Applies necessary social skills to promote health and safety.
5	3.4.1	Applies a variety of emotional-response strategies.
5	3.5.1	Applies decision-making skills.
5	4.1.1	Applies daily health and fitness habits.
5	4.2.1	Creates goals for improving health and fitness practices.
6	2.1.1	Recalls the dimensions of health and relates to personal health behaviors.
6	2.2.1	Understands structure and function of body systems.
6	2.2.2	Understands how to maintain sexual health throughout life.
6	2.2.3	Understands hereditary factors that affect growth, development, and health.
6	2.2.4	Understands benefits of maintaining a balance of healthy habits.
6	2.3.1	Understands factors and prevention related to communicable diseases.
6	2.3.2	Understands skills that prevent and control non-communicable diseases.
6	2.4.1	Understands abusive and risky situations.
6	2.4.2	Understands emergency situations and demonstrates skills to respond appropriately and safely.
6	2.4.3	Understands stress and stress-management techniques.
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Grade	GLE	Description
6	2.4.5	Understands issues and risks related to drug use and abuse.
6	3.1.1	Understands how family and cultural factors affect health.
6	3.1.2	Understands how environmental factors affect health.
6	3.2.1	Analyzes health and fitness product information.
6	3.2.2	Analyzes health and fitness messages in the media.
6	3.3.1	Solves conflicts while maintaining safe and respectful relationships.
6	4.1.1	Applies daily health and fitness habits.
6	4.2.1	Creates goals for improving health and fitness practices.
7	2.1.1	Understands the dimensions of health and relates to personal health behaviors.
7	2.2.1	Understands structure and function of body systems.
7	2.2.2	Understands how to maintain sexual health throughout life.
7	2.2.3	Understands hereditary factors that affect growth, development, and health.
7	2.2.4	Understands benefits of maintaining a balance of healthy habits (stress, sleep, exercise,
		nutrition, recreation, and school).
7	2.3.1	Understands factors and prevention related to communicable diseases.
7	2.3.2	Understands skills that prevent and control non-communicable diseases.
7	2.4.1	Understands abusive and risky situations and demonstrates safe behaviors to prevent injury
-	2.4.2	to self and others at home, school, and in the community.
7	2.4.2	Applies first-aid skills, ways to prevent injuries, and skills to respond appropriately and safely.
7	2.4.3	Understands effects of stress and stress-management techniques.
7	2.4.5	Understands issues and risks related to drug use and abuse.
7	3.1.1	Understands how family and cultural factors affect health.
7	3.1.2	Understands how environmental factors affect health.
7	3.2.1	Analyzes health and fitness product information.
7	3.2.2	Analyzes health and fitness messages in the media.
7	3.3.1	Solves conflicts while maintaining safe and respectful relationships.
7	4.1.1	Analyzes daily health and fitness habits.
7	4.2.1	Creates personal health and fitness data and sets goals.
8	2.1.1	Analyzes the dimensions of health and relates to personal health behaviors.
8	2.2.1	Understands structure and function of body systems.
8	2.2.2	Understands how to maintain sexual health throughout life.
8	2.2.3	Evaluates hereditary factors that affect growth, development, and health.
8	2.2.4	Analyzes benefits of maintaining a balance of healthy habits (stress, sleep, exercise,
		nutrition, recreation, and school).
8	2.3.1	Understands factors and prevention related to communicable diseases.
8	2.3.2	Develops skills that prevent and control non-communicable diseases.
8	2.4.1	Understands abusive and risky situations and demonstrates safe behaviors to prevent injury
	2.4.2	to self and others at home, school, and in the community.
8	2.4.2	Applies first-aid skills, ways to prevent injuries, and skills to respond appropriately and safely.
8	2.4.3	Understands positive and negative effects of stress and stress-management techniques.

Grade	GLE	Description
8	2.4.5	Understands issues and risks related to drug use and abuse.
8	3.1.1	Analyzes how family and cultural factors affect health.
8	3.1.2	Analyzes how environmental factors affect health.
8	3.2.1	Analyzes health and fitness product information.
8	3.2.2	Creates health and fitness messages in media.
8	3.3.1	Solves conflicts while maintaining safe and respectful relationships.
8	4.1.1	Analyzes daily health and fitness habits.
8	4.2.1	Creates personal health and fitness data and sets goals.
9	2.1.1	Evaluates dimensions of health and relates to personal health behaviors.
9	2.2.1	Analyzes the physiological and psychological changes throughout the lifetime.
9	2.2.2	Understands how to maintain sexual health throughout life.
9	2.2.3	Evaluates hereditary factors affecting growth, development, and health.
9	2.3.1	Analyzes personal health practices, and how they affect communicable diseases.
9	2.3.2	Analyzes personal health practices, and how they affect non-communicable diseases.
9	2.4.1	Understands types of abuse and risky situations and how to respond appropriately and
		safely.
9	2.4.2	Evaluates emergency situations, ways to prevent injuries, and demonstrates skills to
2		respond appropriately and safely.
9	2.4.3	Analyzes stress and how it relates to personal stress-management strategies.
9	2.4.4	Creates personal stress-management strategies.
9	2.4.5	Analyzes the stages of addiction and dependency and the impact on the individual, family, and society.
9	2.4.6	Understands legal implications of drug, alcohol, and tobacco use.
9	2.4.7	Analyzes various treatment options and recovery processes.
9	3.1.1	Analyzes how family and cultural diversity enriches and affects personal health behaviors.
9	3.1.2	Analyzes how environmental factors affect health.
9	3.1.3	Evaluates environmental risks associated with certain occupational, residential, and
		recreational choices.
9	3.2.1	Evaluates health and fitness information, products, and services.
9	3.2.2	Creates health and fitness messages in media.
9	3.3.1	Analyzes conflict situations.

Appendix D. Selected Common Core ELA Standards

Common Core ELA Standards

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RI	Reading Informational Texts
RST	Reading Science & Technical Subjects
SL	Speaking and Listening
W	• Writing
WHST	• Writing History, Science & Technical Subjects

8 th Grade Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts	
Code	Standard
L.8.6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-specific
	words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word or phrase
	important to comprehension or expression.
RI.8.3	Analyze how a text makes connections among and distinctions between individuals, ideas,
	or events (e.g., through comparisons, analogies, or categories).
RI.8.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at the high end of the
	grades 6–8 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
RST.8.2	Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; provide an accurate summary of the
	text distinct from prior knowledge or opinions.
RST.8.3	Follow precisely a multistep procedure when carrying out experiments, taking
	measurements, or performing technical tasks.
RST.8.4	Determine the meaning of symbols, key terms, and other domain-specific words and
	phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 6–8
	texts and topics.
RST.8.8	Distinguish among facts, reasoned judgment based on research findings, and speculation
	in a text.
RST.8.9	Compare and contrast the information gained from experiments, simulations, video, or
	multimedia sources with that gained from reading a text on the same topic.
SL.8.1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and
	teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 8 topics, texts, and issues, building on others'
	ideas and expressing their own clearly.
SL.8.4	Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner
	with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate
	eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation.
SL.8.5	Integrate multimedia and visual displays into presentations to clarify information,
	strengthen claims and evidence, and add interest.
W.8.3	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective
	technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.
WHST.8.1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

8 th Grade Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts	
Code	Standard
WHST.8.2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/ experiments, or technical processes.
WHST.8.4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
WHST.8.6	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and ideas clearly and efficiently.
WHST.8.8	Gather relevant information from multiple print and digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.
WHST.8.9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis reflection, and research.

12 th Grade Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts		
Code	Standard	
RH.12.1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources,	
	connecting insights gained from specific details to an understanding of the text as a	
	whole.	
RH.12.2	Determine the central ideas or information of a primary or secondary source; provide an	
	accurate summary that makes clear the relationships among the key details and ideas.	
RH.12.3	Evaluate various explanations for actions or events and determine which explanation best	
	accords with textual evidence, acknowledging where the text leaves matters uncertain.	
RI.12.1	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says	
	explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text	
	leaves matters uncertain.	
RI.12.2	Determine two or more central ideas of a text and analyze their development over the	
	course of the text, including how they interact and build on one another to provide a	
	complex analysis; provide an objective summary of the text.	
RI.12.7	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or	
	formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or	
	solve a problem.	
RST.12.1	Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending	
	to important distinctions the author makes and to any gaps or inconsistencies in the	
	account.	
RST.12.2	Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; summarize complex concepts,	
	processes, or information presented in a text by paraphrasing them in simpler but still	
	accurate terms.	
RST.12.3	Follow precisely a complex multistep procedure when carrying out experiments, taking	
	measurements, or performing technical tasks; analyze the specific results based on	
	explanations in the text.	
RST.12.4	Determine the meaning of symbols, key terms, and other domain-specific words and	
	phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 11–	
	12 texts and topics.	

12 th Grade Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts		
Code	Standard	
RST.12.7	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to address a question or solve a problem.	
RST.12.8	Evaluate the hypotheses, data, analysis, and conclusions in a science or technical text, verifying the data when possible and corroborating or challenging conclusions with other sources of information.	
RST.12.9	Synthesize information from a range of sources (e.g., texts, experiments, simulations) into a coherent understanding of a process, phenomenon, or concept, resolving conflicting information when possible.	
SL.12.1	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.	
SL.12.2	Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting any discrepancies among the data.	
SL.12.3	Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric, assessing the stance, premises, links among ideas, word choice, points of emphasis, and tone used.	
SL.12.4	Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective, such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning, alternative or opposing perspectives are addressed, and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and a range of formal and informal tasks.	
SL.12.5	Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.	
W.12.1	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.	
W.12.2	Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.	
W.12.3	Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured event sequences.	
W.12.4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)	
WHST.12.1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.	
WHST.12.2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/ experiments, or technical processes.	
WHST.12.4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.	
WHST.12.6	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.	
WHST.12.7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when	

12 th Grade Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts				
Code	Standard			
	appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.			
WHST.12.8	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the specific task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.			
WHST.12.9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.			

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