

# Introduction

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Sexual Health Education

#### Learning Objectives

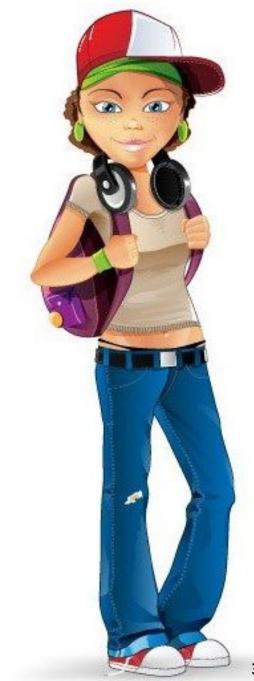
- 1. Define sexual health education
- 2. Recognize importance of learning about sexual health
- 3. Understand how we will learn about sexual health and what topics will be covered
- 4. Identify who you can talk to about sexual health
- 5. Understand the anonymous question process

#### What is sexual health education?

Information and skills to help you understand your body, thoughts, feelings, and relationships

#### A chance to learn about:

- What changes to expect as you grow into adulthood
- How the reproductive system works and how to keep your body healthy
- Your right to be treated with respect
- Your responsibility to show respect to others



### Why are we learning about sexual health?



We learn about sexual health in school so that you:

- Have accurate information
- Know you can ask questions
- Feel good about yourself

## Why are we learning about sexual health?



Sexual health education may feel really important and relevant to you, or it might not.

Please remember that you can use what you learn to help a friend or sibling or save the knowledge and skills for when you need them later in life.

## What will we be learning?

#### Lesson topics:

- 1. Puberty and Hygiene
  - how our bodies change as we become adults, how to take care of ourselves
- 2. Reproductive System
  - the parts of our body that are involved in sexual reproduction and pregnancy
- 3. HIV/AIDS
  - a virus that attacks the immune system, how to prevent the spread of it
- 4. Consent and Communication
  - why it's essential to ask someone for permission, how to hear/accept their answer
- 5. Rules of Dating
  - The different ways people act during each step of dating, how people want it to be



# What can we expect from each other?

# Finding a Trusted Adult



#### Who can I talk to about sexual health?

We all have questions!

Think of at least one trusted adult you can talk to. It could be a parent, auntie or uncle, sibling, grandparent, coach, group leader.

You can talk to that trusted adult about these sexual health lessons.



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#### Who can I talk to about sexual health?

Sometimes we want to talk to a medical professional.

Where could someone your age do that?

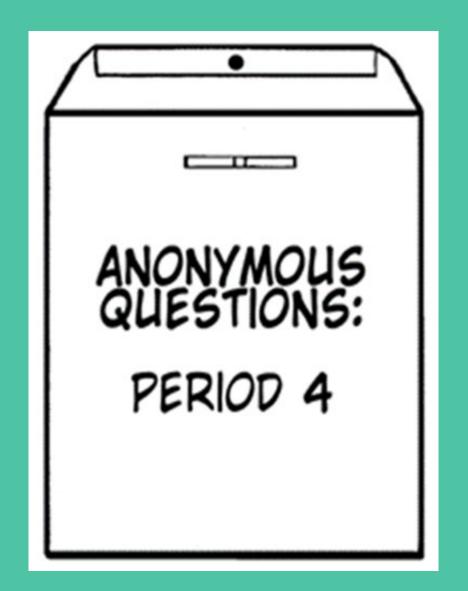
- Your regular doctor or pediatrician
- School based health center or school nurse
- A community clinic like Planned Parenthood or Public Health



#### **Anonymous Questions**

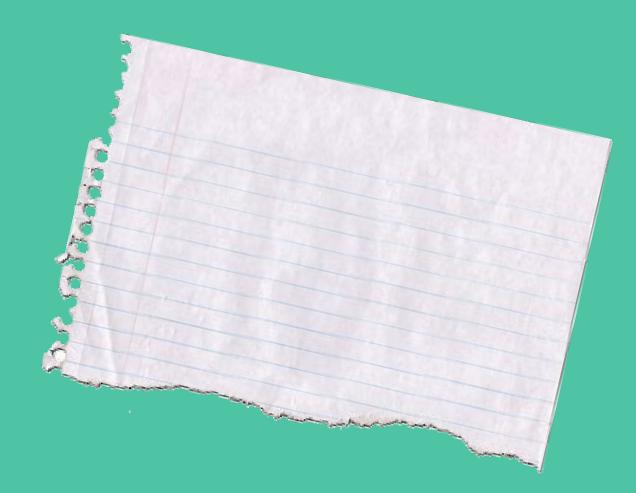
Sometimes students have questions that they would rather ask anonymously.

That's great! We can do that!



## **Anonymous Questions**

- What do they mean by ...?
- Is it true that ...?
- How do you know if ...?
- Would you worry if ...?
- What should you do if ...?
- Am I right that ...?
- Why is it that ...?
- How common is it for ...?



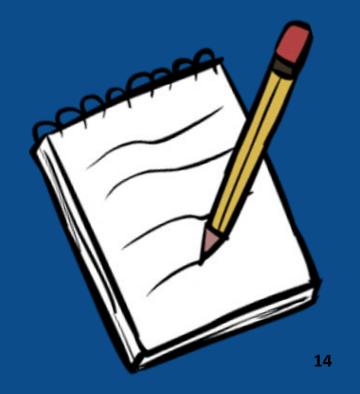
# You are awesome.

#### Exit Ticket

- How do you think young people may feel when learning about sexual health?
- Which 6th grade lesson topic do you think young people need to know about the most? Why?
- What are some qualities you look for in a trusted adult?

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Lesson Topics:

Puberty and Hygiene Reproductive System HIV/AIDS Consent and Communication Rules of Dating





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