

Date Jan. 22, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Pickens County Middle School and Jasper Middle School will be offering a program entitled "Relationship Education" and will help the 6th grade prepare for the physical, emotional, and relational changes that accompany adolescence. The goal for 7th and 8th grade is to build strong students who will be motivated to set worthy goals for themselves and avoid intimate sexual relationships until they are in a committed faithful marriage. This is an abstinence-centered message and will cover the undesired consequences of premarital sexual intimacy, i.e. pregnancy, S.T.D.'s, and emotional consequences.

This program has been approved by the Pickens County Board of Education.

The material used in this course is age-appropriate and taught by qualified teachers. The boys and girls will be in separate classes. At PCMS, the boys will be taught by Tony Weaver and the girls will be taught by Elisha Roper in all grade levels.. At JMS, the boys will be taught by Colby Shaw and the girls will be taught by Lana Callahan in all grade levels.

The program will be presented during your child's regular health/PE class on (Dates TBA) at PCMS and (Feb. 26-March 1- Girls Boys- March 12-15) at JMS for all grade levels. If you have any questions, you may call the school at 706-253-1830 (PCMS) or 706-253-1760 (JMS).

Please write your student's name and sign your name below if you **DO NOT** give permission for him/her to attend. This form should be returned to their teacher by (Date). Those students whose parents or guardians have chosen not to give permission for the Relationship Education course will be given alternative assignments during those class periods.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_