



A coalition of organizations calling for medically accurate comprehensive sex education for all Indiana students

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the **Get Real, Indiana!** coalition, will work for comprehensive sex education for all Indiana students. We support the right of parents to choose a medically accurate, age-appropriate and affirming sexuality curriculum for their children.

Truly honest sex education seeks to help all young people garner information and skills about taking care of their sexual health, and making responsible decisions both now and in the future. This includes discussion of :

- anatomy
- sexual development
- abstinence
- pregnancy prevention
- disease prevention
- relationships
- gender issues and
- body image

It also includes life skills such as decision-making, assertiveness, critical thinking and communication.

We believe that education is the key to a healthy and vibrant community. Schools have an opportunity and an obligation to give young people information in a balanced manner that teaches abstinence plus facts about contraception, reproductive health, relationships and responsible decision-making. Comprehensive sex education is absolutely necessary for our youth to be able to avoid ignorance, unintended pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases. It is the best way to give Indiana students the tools they need to make sound decisions about their own bodies and health, and become sexually literate adults.

A sexually literate person...

- Has an accurate, well-informed, age-appropriate understanding of all aspects of sexuality—biological, cultural, social, and ethical.
- Possesses a strong sense of personal values about sexuality and sexual health.
- Demonstrates respect for the values of others.