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## Memorandum

Date: February 5th, 2018

To: The Board of Education

From: Student Representative Council

Subject: Consent Based Sexual Education

Over the past few months the Student Representative Council has been discussing the need for Consent Based Sexual Education. This type of education is not currently occurring in our schools.

We see many examples of inappropriate conduct on the part of students in their relationships with others. We believe a focus on Consent Based Sexual Education would help address many of these issues.

We believe this type of education should begin early. We believe that children as young as kindergarten can begin to understand such concepts as self-respect and respect for others. We believe that it is important for all students to receive information about their own anatomy and the anatomy of other genders. We also believe that sexual education should not be segregated by gender. In middle school and high school we believe students have the maturity to have these conversations in mixed gender classrooms.

We respectfully recommend that the Board of Education develop a process for introducing Consent Based Sexual Education K - 12 in the Greater Victoria School District.

Sincerely,

Student Representative Council