

CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTES 10-19c. AIDS
EDUCATION PUBLIC
ACT 88-112.

**An act concerning the study of Acquired
Immuno-Deficiency Syndrome in the public schools.**

Health Education encourages students to become aware of and to recognize the many factors that affect their health. The program aims to create students who will become healthy, responsible, and productive citizens.

Portland Public School's health program is a kindergarten through grade twelve curriculum.

As a part of the health program, the study of Acquired Immuno-Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) and the Human Immuno-Deficiency Virus (HIV) will be presented. This will enable students to develop a basic knowledge of this health problem and an appreciation of healthy behaviors for life. Education is a significant weapon in the fight against this disease.

As of July 1, 1989, all Connecticut school districts were mandated to implement HIV/AIDS education. Our school system has a policy which states that you may remove your child from HIV/AIDS education upon written request. You are encouraged to become familiar with the curriculum before making that decision.

Portland Public Schools' intent is to educate our young people toward healthy lifestyles with prevention education. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions.