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То	amend sections 3301.0732, 3313.60, and 3313.6024	1
	and to enact sections 3301.0722, 3301.165,	2
	3313.6031, 3314.0311, 3326.092, and 3328.60 of	3
	the Revised Code regarding instruction for	4
	students in the harmful effects of substance	5
	use.	6

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 3301.0732, 3313.60, and 3313.6024	7
be amended and sections 3301.0722, 3301.165, 3313.6031,	8
3314.0311, 3326.092, and 3328.60 of the Revised Code be enacted	9
to read as follows:	10
Sec. 3301.0722. (A) As used in this section, "evidence-	11
based" has the same meaning as in section 3301.221 of the	12
Revised Code.	13
(B) The department of education and workforce, in	14
collaboration with the department of mental health and addiction	15
services, shall conduct a review of available resources and	16
develop a list of curricula, materials, programs, and	17
instructional strategies related to the instruction required	18

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under divisions (A)(5)(b) and (g) of section 3313.60 of the	19
Revised Code and section 3313.6031 of the Revised Code, that	20
districts or schools may utilize. The department of education	21
and workforce shall highlight any evidence-based resources that	22
exist on its list. Periodically, the department of education and	23
workforce shall review and update the list developed under this	24
section.	25
Sec. 3301.0732. The minimum education standards prescribed	26
by the director of education and workforce for nonchartered	27
nonpublic schools under section 3301.07 of the Revised Code	28
shall comply with and shall be limited to this section.	29
(A) A nonchartered nonpublic school that is not seeking a	30
charter from the department of education and workforce because	31
of truly held religious beliefs shall annually certify in a	32
report to the parents of its pupils that the school meets	33
minimum education standards for nonchartered nonpublic schools	34
as described in this section. A copy of the report shall be	35
filed with the department of education and workforce on or	36
before the thirtieth day of September of each year.	37
(B) A nonchartered nonpublic school shall be open for	38
instruction with pupils in attendance for not less than four	39
hundred fifty-five hours in the case of pupils in kindergarten	40
unless such pupils are provided all-day kindergarten, in which	41
case the pupils shall be in attendance for nine hundred ten	42
hours; nine hundred ten hours in the case of pupils in grades	43
one through six; and one thousand one hours in the case of	44
pupils in grades seven through twelve in each school year.	45
(C) The parents of a child enrolled in a nonchartered	46

nonpublic school shall be responsible for reporting their

child's enrollment or withdrawal from that school to the

treasurer of the board of education of the city, exempted	49
village, or local school district in which the pupil resides.	50
Pupil attendance is reported for the purposes of facilitating	51
the administration of laws relating to compulsory education and	52
the employment of minors. An individual in charge of the	53
nonchartered nonpublic school may, as a matter of convenience,	54
provide the report to the treasurer on behalf of the parents.	55
The attendance report shall include the name, age, and	56
place of residence of each pupil below eighteen years of age.	57
The report shall be made within the first two weeks of the	58
beginning of each school year. In the case of pupil withdrawal	59
or entrance during the school year, notice shall be given to the	60
treasurer of the appropriate board of education within the first	61
week of the next school month.	62
(D) Teachers and administrators at nonchartered nonpublic	63
schools shall hold at least a bachelor's degree, or the	64
equivalent, from a recognized college or university.	65
(E) The curriculum of each nonchartered nonpublic school	66
shall include the study of the following subjects:	67
(1) Language arts;	68
(2) Geography, the history of the United States and Ohio,	69
and national, state, and local government;	70
(3) Mathematics;	71
(4) Science;	72
(5) Health, which may include age and developmentally	73
appropriate instruction about how short-term or chronic	74
substance use, as defined in section 3313.6031 of the Revised	75
Code, to alter an individual's mood is harmful to an	76

(C) Conform the instruction to prevention best-practice

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<pre>frameworks;</pre>	104
(D) Focus the instruction on addressing changes in	105
knowledge, attitude, and skills as a child develops.	106
Sec. 3313.60. Notwithstanding division (D) of section	107
3311.52 of the Revised Code, divisions (A) to (E) of this	108
section do not apply to any cooperative education school	109
district established pursuant to divisions (A) to (C) of section	110
3311.52 of the Revised Code.	111
(A) The board of education of each city, exempted village,	112
and local school district and the board of each cooperative	113
education school district established, pursuant to section	114
3311.521 of the Revised Code, shall prescribe a curriculum for	115
all schools under its control. Except as provided in division	116
(E) of this section, in any such curriculum there shall be	117
included the study of the following subjects:	118
(1) The language arts, including reading, writing,	119
spelling, oral and written English, and literature;	120
(2) Geography, the history of the United States and of	121
Ohio, and national, state, and local government in the United	122
States, including a balanced presentation of the relevant	123
contributions to society of men and women of African, Mexican,	124
Puerto Rican, and American Indian descent as well as other	125
ethnic and racial groups in Ohio and the United States;	126
(3) Mathematics;	127
(4) Natural science, including instruction in the	128
conservation of natural resources;	129
(5) Health education, which shall include instruction in:	130
(a) The nutritive value of foods, including natural and	131

organically produced foods, the relation of nutrition to health,	132
and the use and effects of food additives;	133
(b) The harmful effects of and legal restrictions against	134
the use of drugs of abuse, including marijuana, opioids,	135
opiates, alcoholic beverages, and tobacco, including electronic	136
smoking devices;	137
(c) Sexually transmitted infection education, except that	138
upon written request of the student's parent or guardian, a	139
student shall be excused from taking instruction in sexually	140
transmitted infection education;	141
(d) In grades kindergarten through six, annual	142
developmentally appropriate instruction in child sexual abuse	143
prevention, including information on available counseling and	144
resources for children who are sexually abused. Such instruction	145
and information provided shall not be connected in any way to	146
any individual, entity, or organization that provides, promotes,	147
counsels, or makes referrals for abortion or abortion-related	148
services. Upon written request of the student's parent or	149
guardian, a student shall be excused from taking instruction in	150
child sexual abuse prevention.	151
(e) In grades kindergarten through six, instruction in	152
personal safety and assault prevention, except that upon written	153
request of the student's parent or guardian, a student shall be	154
excused from taking instruction in personal safety and assault	155
<pre>prevention;</pre>	156
(f) In grades seven through twelve, developmentally	157
appropriate instruction in dating violence prevention education	158
and sexual violence prevention education, which shall include	159
instruction in recognizing dating violence warning signs and	160

characteristics of healthy relationships, except that upon	161
written request of the student's parent or guardian a student	162
shall be excused from taking instruction in sexual violence	163
prevention.	164
In order to assist school districts in developing a dating	165
violence prevention education and sexual violence prevention	166
education curriculum, the department of education and workforce	167
shall provide on its web site links to free curricula addressing	168
dating violence prevention and sexual violence prevention	169
education. Such instruction and information shall not be	170
connected in any way to any individual, entity, or organization	171
that provides, promotes, counsels, or makes referrals for	172
abortion or abortion-related services.	173
Each school district shall notify the parents and legal	174
guardians of students who receive instruction related to child	175
sexual abuse prevention and sexual violence prevention, as	176
described under divisions (A)(5)(d) and (f) of this section, of	177
all of the following:	178
(i) That instruction in child sexual abuse prevention and	179
sexual violence prevention is a required part of the district's	180
curriculum;	181
(ii) That upon request, parents and legal guardians may	182
examine such instructional materials in accordance with this	183
section;	184
(iii) That upon written request of the student's parent or	185
guardian, a student shall be excused from taking instruction in	186
child sexual abuse prevention and sexual violence prevention.	187
If the parent or legal guardian of a student less than	188

eighteen years of age submits to the principal of the student's

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school a written request to examine the dating violence	190
prevention and sexual violence prevention instruction materials	191
used at that school, the principal, within forty-eight hours	192
after the request is made, shall allow the parent or guardian to	193
examine those materials at that school.	194
(g) Prescription opioid abuse prevention, with an emphasis	195
on the prescription drug epidemic and the connection between	196
prescription opioid abuse and addiction to other drugs, such as	197
heroin;	198
(h) The process of making an anatomical gift under Chapter	199
2108. of the Revised Code, with an emphasis on the life-saving	200
and life-enhancing effects of organ and tissue donation;	201
(i) Beginning with the first day of the next school year	202
that begins at least two years after March 24, 2021, in grades	203
six through twelve, at least one hour or one standard class	204
period per school year of evidence-based suicide awareness and	205
prevention and at least one hour or one standard class period	206
per school year of safety training and violence prevention,	207
except that upon written request of the student's parent or	208
guardian, a student shall be excused from taking instruction in	209
suicide awareness and prevention or safety training and violence	210
prevention;	211
(j) Beginning with the first day of the next school year	212
that begins at least two years after March 24, 2021, in grades	213
six through twelve, at least one hour or one standard class	214

period per school year of evidence-based social inclusion

parent or guardian, a student shall be excused from taking

instruction in social inclusion.

instruction, except that upon written request of the student's

For the instruction required under divisions (A)(5)(i) and	219
(j) of this section, the board shall use a training program	220
approved by the department of education and workforce under	221
section 3301.221 of the Revised Code.	222
Schools may use student assemblies, digital learning, and	223
homework to satisfy the instruction requirements under divisions	224
(A)(5)(i) and (j) of this section.	225
(k) Instruction in bullying and hazing.	226
(6) Physical education;	227
(7) The fine arts, including music;	228
(8) First aid, including a training program in	229
cardiopulmonary resuscitation, which shall comply with section	230
3313.6021 of the Revised Code when offered in any of grades nine	231
through twelve, safety, and fire prevention. However, upon	232
written request of the student's parent or guardian, a student	233
shall be excused from taking instruction in cardiopulmonary	234
resuscitation.	235
(B) Except as provided in division (E) of this section,	236
every school or school district shall include in the	237
requirements for promotion from the eighth grade to the ninth	238
grade one year's course of study of American history. A board	239
may waive this requirement for academically accelerated students	240
who, in accordance with procedures adopted by the board, are	241
able to demonstrate mastery of essential concepts and skills of	242
the eighth grade American history course of study.	243
(C) As specified in divisions (B)(6) and (C)(6) of section	244
3313.603 of the Revised Code, except as provided in division (E)	245
of this section, every high school shall include in the	246

requirements for graduation from any curriculum one-half unit

each of American history and government.

- (D) Except as provided in division (E) of this section, basic instruction or demonstrated mastery in geography, United States history, the government of the United States, the government of the state of Ohio, local government in Ohio, the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution, and the Constitution of the state of Ohio shall be required before pupils may participate in courses involving the study of social problems, economics, foreign affairs, United Nations, world government, socialism, and communism.
- (E) For each cooperative education school district established pursuant to section 3311.521 of the Revised Code and each city, exempted village, and local school district that has territory within such a cooperative district, the curriculum adopted pursuant to divisions (A) to (D) of this section shall only include the study of the subjects that apply to the grades operated by each such school district. The curricula for such schools, when combined, shall provide to each student of these districts all of the subjects required under divisions (A) to (D) of this section.
- (F) The board of education of any cooperative education school district established pursuant to divisions (A) to (C) of section 3311.52 of the Revised Code shall prescribe a curriculum for the subject areas and grade levels offered in any school under its control.
- (G) Upon the request of any parent or legal guardian of a 273 student, the board of education of any school district shall 274 permit the parent or guardian to promptly examine, with respect 275 to the parent's or guardian's own child: 276

(1) Any survey or questionnaire, prior to its	277
administration to the child;	278
(2) Any textbook, workbook, software, video, or other	279
instructional materials being used by the district in connection	280
with the instruction of the child;	281
(3) Any completed and graded test taken or survey or	282
questionnaire filled out by the child;	283
(4) Copies of the statewide academic standards and each	284
model curriculum developed pursuant to section 3301.079 of the	285
Revised Code, which copies shall be available at all times	286
during school hours in each district school building.	287
Sec. 3313.6024. (A) Annually each school district and	288
other public school, as defined in section 3301.0711 of the	289
Revised Code, shall report to the department of education and	290
workforce, in the manner prescribed a survey established by the	291
department, the types of prevention-focused programs, services,	292
and supports used to assist students in developing the knowledge	293
and skills to engage in healthy behaviors and decision-making	294
and to increase their awareness of the dangers and consequences	295
of risky behaviors, including substance abuse, suicide,	296
bullying, and other harmful behaviors. The Each district or	297
school shall report on the survey the following information	298
regarding such programs, services, and supports for each	299
building operated by the district or school and for each of	300
grades kindergarten through twelve served by the building:	301
(1) Curriculum and instruction provided during the school	302
day;	303
(2) Programs and supports provided outside of the	304
classroom or outside of the school day;	305

(3) Professional development for teachers, administrators,	306
and other staff;	307
(4) Partnerships with community coalitions and	308
organizations to provide prevention services and resources to	309
students and their families;	310
(5) School efforts to engage parents and the community;	311
(6) Activities designed to communicate with and learn from	312
other schools or professionals with expertise in prevention	313
education— <u>;</u>	314
(7) A description of how the district or school complies	315
with the following:	316
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(a) For each school district, divisions (A)(5)(b) and (g)	317
of section 3313.60 of the Revised Code and section 3313.6031 of	318
the Revised Code;	319
(b) For every other public school, section 3314.0311,	320
3326.092, or 3328.60 of the Revised Code.	321
(8) The number of substance abuse cases that occurred in	322
the district or school.	323
(B) A chartered nonpublic school may report to the	324
department the information described in division (A) of this	325
section by electing to participate in the department's annual	326
survey.	327
(C) Each year, the department shall analyze the substance	328
abuse case data and the information on programs, services, and	329
supports collected in the annual survey prescribed under this	330
section for that year, and prior years, to determine the overall	331
effectiveness of different programs, services, and supports at	332
preventing substance abuse cases over time and identify best	333

practices for prevention education.	334
(D) The department may use information reported under this	335
section, and any other information collected by the department	336
pursuant to law, as a factor in the distribution of any funding	337
available for prevention-focused programs, services, and	338
supports.	339
Sec. 3313.6031. (A) As used in this section, "substance	340
use" includes the use of marijuana, alcoholic beverages,	341
opioids, opiates, and tobacco, including electronic smoking	342
devices, and any substance derived from a source external to the	343
human body that is not legally permitted or authorized for use	344
without a prescription.	345
(B) In accordance with the curriculum requirement	346
prescribed under divisions (A)(5)(b) and (g) of section 3313.60	347
of the Revised Code, the board of education of each city, local,	348
and exempted village school district annually shall provide	349
instruction to students in grades kindergarten through twelve	350
about how short-term or chronic substance use to alter one's	351
<pre>mood is harmful to an individual's health.</pre>	352
(C) Each district board shall do all of the following with	353
regard to the instruction:	354
(1) Determine the manner in which the instruction is	355
<pre>provided to students;</pre>	356
(2) Ensure the instruction is age and developmentally	357
<pre>appropriate;</pre>	358
(3) Conform the instruction to prevention best-practice	359
<pre>frameworks;</pre>	360
(4) Focus the instruction on addressing changes in	361

knowledge, attitude, and skills as a child develops.	362
Sec. 3314.0311. The governing authority of each community	363
school established under this chapter annually shall provide	364
instruction to students in the grade levels the school serves	365
about how short-term or chronic substance use, as defined in	366
section 3313.6031 of the Revised Code, to alter one's mood is	367
harmful to an individual's health. Each governing authority	368
shall do all of the following with regard to the instruction:	369
(A) Determine the manner in which the instruction is	370
<pre>provided to students;</pre>	371
(B) Ensure the instruction is age and developmentally	372
<pre>appropriate;</pre>	373
(C) Conform the instruction to prevention best-practice	374
<pre>frameworks;</pre>	375
(D) Focus the instruction on addressing changes in	376
knowledge, attitude, and skills as a child develops.	377
Sec. 3326.092. The governing body of each each science,	378
technology, engineering, and mathematics school established	379
under this chapter annually shall provide instruction to	380
students in the grade levels the school serves about how short-	381
term or chronic substance use, as defined in section 3313.6031	382
of the Revised Code, to alter one's mood is harmful to an	383
individual's health. Each governing body shall do all of the	384
following with regard to the instruction:	385
(A) Determine the manner in which the instruction is	386
<pre>provided to students;</pre>	387
(B) Ensure the instruction is age and developmentally	388
appropriate;	389

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(C) Conform the instruction to prevention best-practice	390
<pre>frameworks;</pre>	391
(D) Focus the instruction on addressing changes in	392
knowledge, attitude, and skills as a child develops.	393
Sec. 3328.60. The board of trustees of each college-	394
preparatory boarding school established under this chapter	395
annually shall provide instruction to students in the grade	396
levels the school serves about how the short-term or chronic	397
substance use, as defined in section 3313.6031 of the Revised	398
Code, to alter one's mood is harmful to an individual's health.	399
Each board of trustees shall do all of the following with regard	400
to the instruction:	401
(A) Determine the manner in which the instruction is	402
<pre>provided to students;</pre>	403
(B) Ensure the instruction is age and developmentally	404
appropriate;	405
(C) Conform the instruction to prevention best-practice	406
<pre>frameworks;</pre>	407
(D) Focus the instruction on addressing changes in	408
knowledge, attitude, and skills as a child develops.	409
Section 2. That existing sections 3301.0732, 3313.60, and	410
3313.6024 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	411