

FOX CHAPEL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: EXEMPTION FROM
INSTRUCTION

ADOPTED: May 10, 2010

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Authority Title 22 Sec. 4.4, 11.7 2. Definition 3. Guidelines 	<p style="text-align: center;">105.2. EXEMPTION FROM INSTRUCTION</p> <p>The Board adopts this policy to ensure that parents/guardians have the right to have their children excused from specific instruction that conflicts with their religious beliefs or other Pennsylvania Department of Education regulations.</p> <p>As used in this policy, the phrase specific instruction means identifiable elements of instruction by the teacher. Students are still required to meet PA Standards regardless of religious exemption.</p> <p>The rights granted by this policy are granted to parents/guardians of students enrolled in this district when the students are under the age of eighteen (18) and to the students themselves when the student is eighteen (18) or over unless the student is incapable of making the decision due to a disability.</p> <p>The district shall excuse any student from specific instruction, as defined in this policy, subject to the following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To assist the school district in ensuring that the student is excused from the correct specific instruction, the request must be made in writing and must detail the specific instruction from which the student is to be excused. 2. The written request to be excused shall be sent by the parent/guardian or student to the building principal, coordinator of curriculum or Superintendent. <p>One (1) copy of the request shall be retained in the student's permanent school records, a copy shall be kept by the school principal, and a copy shall be submitted to the teacher from whose instruction the student is to be excused.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. It shall not be the responsibility of the district or any of its employees to ensure that the student exercises his/her right to be excused in accordance with a parental request. Instead, it is the responsibility of the student to request permission to leave class when the specific instruction objected to is or is about to be presented. When the student seeks to be excused, the teacher shall excuse
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