

# ONEIDA NATION SCHOOL SYSTEM

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Date:

To: Parents/Guardians of current Grade 4 and 5 students

I'm sending this parent letter to let you know that Grade 4 and 5 students will be participating in human growth and development classes **LAnunhatényehse?** (*Their lives are changing-puberty.*)

**LAnunhatényehse?** consists of **Wa'yakunhate·ní:** (*Her life changed, Girl to Woman*) and **Wahlunhate·ní:** (*His life changed, Boy to Man.*) This class speaks of the traditional roles, responsibilities, and values of what it means to become an Oneida woman or man. We also teach the physical changes that occur during puberty. We will discuss the structure and function of the human reproductive system, and will explain the physical, emotional and social changes that occur during puberty. Girls and boys meet in separate groups to discuss their unique physical changes. We also want students to have open communication with parents about this topic.

The curriculum will be taught by:

- Public Health Nurses from Oneida Comprehensive Health Division
- Cultural Heritage Staff

If you DO NOT want your son/daughter to participate, please complete the form below and return to your child's homeroom teacher. By NOT returning the form below you are allowing your child to participate in the health curriculum class. If you have questions about the curriculum, please call School Nurse.

Mercedes Drew BSN RN – School Nurse  
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## Human Growth and Development – Grade 4 and 5 –

\_\_\_ I DO NOT want my son/daughter to participate in the human growth and development curriculum **LAnunhatényehse?** (*Their lives are changing-puberty*) at school.

Student name \_\_\_\_\_ Gr \_\_\_\_\_

Reason \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian name and phone \_\_\_\_\_