

TOPEKA PUBLIC SCHOOLS	REGULATION NUMBER: 6135-01
SUBJECT: EXEMPTION FROM REQUIRED INSTRUCTION	DATE OF ISSUE: 12/17/18
	PREPARING OFFICE: TEACHING AND LEARNING

I. PURPOSE:

To establish guidelines for exempting students from required instruction.

II. PERSONNEL AFFECTED:

Parents, principals and teaching staff

III. PROCEDURES:

Occasionally, a parent or legal guardian may request that their student be exempt from a part of a school subject or activity because the content is contrary to their beliefs or teachings.

- A. If a parent or legal guardian wishes to have their student exempt from certain required instruction because it is contrary to their beliefs or teachings, he or she should complete the accompanying form and provide it to the building principal.
- B. Upon receipt of the completed form, the school will provide the student with comparable alternative instruction, assignments or activities to be completed during or in lieu of the required instruction or assignments.
- C. At no time will exemption from required instruction excuse a student from the total semester hours or required courses for graduation.

TOPEKA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
REQUEST TO EXEMPT STUDENT FROM CERTAIN REQUIRED INSTRUCTION

Board Policy 6135 allows a parent or legal guardian to request a student be exempt from certain required instruction if part of any school subject or activity is contrary to the beliefs or teachings of the student or his/her parent or legal guardian.

If you want your student to be exempt from certain required instruction or activities, please fill out the following form:

Student Name: _____ School Name: _____

Grade: _____ Teacher: _____ Class (if applicable): _____

School Subject Matter or Activity from which Student is to be Exempt: _____

Conflict/Reason for Requested Exemption: _____

By signing below, I am acknowledging the following:

1. The above-stated conflict is a deeply, personally held belief;
2. The school will determine comparable alternative instruction, assignments or activities to be completed during or in lieu of the required instruction or assignments; and
3. This exemption from required instruction does not excuse a student from the total semester hours or required courses for graduation.

Parent Name: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____