



Dear Parent/Guardian:

Maria Montessori Academy recognizes the importance of supporting the health of young people by promoting health literacy. Health education and health-related topics are addressed in a number of courses offered at MMA, including 8th and 9th grade health classes.

On December 9th, Officer Child from the North Ogden Police Department will be visiting health classes to discuss the legal ramifications of sexting, which is the “sending or receiving of sexually explicit or sexually suggestive images, messages, or video, or video via a cellphone or the internet.”¹ With devices so readily available students need to understand the life-long consequences of sending inappropriate photos or videos as well as how to manage coming in contact with digital content that is inappropriate.

If you do not wish your child to participate in this portion of the class, please complete the form at the bottom of this letter and return it to your student’s teacher. Your child will confidentially be assigned to coursework outside of class during this segment of the class.

I do not want my child to participate in the sexting presentation during their respective Health class period.

Name of Student

Date

Grade

Name of Parent

Parent Signature

Daytime Phone

¹ "Sexting: What Parents Need to Know." *KidsHealth*. Ed. Larissa Hirsch. The Nemours Foundation, 01 June 2014. Web. 21 Nov. 2015.