Positive Prevention Plus: High School Curriculum Overview

The Positive Prevention Plus (“P3”) High School curriculum is a high quality, evidence-based, sexual health education curriculum. Peer reviewed findings published in 2016 demonstrated a statistically significant delay in the onset of sexual activity, plus statistically significant increases in student-parent communication around sexual health issues. The curriculum strongly encourages parental involvement. Certain worksheets may be sent home with students to encourage student-parent discussion of sexual health topics.

- **Getting Started**
  - Students will: identify and follow class guidelines for appropriate behavior; define and discuss terms related to anatomy, gender identity and expression, and sexual orientation; complete a self-assessment of pre-existing knowledge (pre-test) related to interpersonal relationships and sexual health; identify facts about teen sexual health.

- **Lesson 1: Life Planning**
  - Students will: identify their personal life plans and goals; visualize themselves achieving their life plans and goals; identify several steps they need to take now to reach their goals.

- **Lesson 2: Healthy Relationships**
  - Students will: identify three components of love; identify eight types of intimacy; identify non-sexual ways to achieve intimacy; identify the qualities of a healthy relationship; assess their own relationship skills.

- **Lesson 3: Relationship Abuse**
  - Students will: explain why consent is an important aspect of healthy relationships; commit to end inappropriate sexual behavior in self and others; identify risky sex-related behaviors such as sex trafficking, sexting, and meeting strangers online; demonstrate a variety of ways to protect themselves; identify how to respond to inappropriate sexual behaviors.

- **Lesson 4: Human Trafficking**
  - Students will: define human trafficking, including sex trafficking; describe how common human trafficking is in the U.S.; identify populations that are vulnerable to human trafficking; identify the warning signs of human trafficking; identify resources for reporting and escaping human trafficking.

- **Lesson 5: Preventing an Unplanned Pregnancy**
  - Students will: identify reasons for planning a family; describe a range of contraceptive methods, including their effectiveness in preventing pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections; identify sexual abstinence as the only certain way to prevent unintended pregnancy or sexually transmitted infections; identify community family planning and contraceptive services; identify the benefits of delaying or abstaining from sex.
• Lesson 6: Teen Pregnancy: Choices & Responsibilities
  o This lesson is omitted for TPS Implementation

• Lesson 7: Myths & Stereotypes about HIV Infection
  o Students will: identify myths or stereotypes regarding persons infected with HIV; describe the impact of HIV/AIDS on individuals and their family life; express concern for persons with disabilities or illness, including those infected with HIV.

• Lesson 8: HIV/AIDS Epidemic
  o Students will: describe the magnitude of the AIDS epidemic; identify the fluids and body openings for HIV transmission; identify behaviors that will and will not put a person at risk for HIV transmission; describe the effectiveness of PrEP, PEP, and ART in the prevention and treatment of HIV infection.

• Lesson 9: Preventing Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)
  o Students will: identify and describe common STIs and their symptoms; describe the ways that STIs can be transmitted; identify community resources for STI testing and treatment.

• Lesson 10: Protection and Communication
  o Students will: identify abstinence as the only 100% effective method to avoid an unplanned pregnancy, HIV, and STIs; identify the success and failure rate of latex condoms in preventing pregnancy and the spread of HIV/STIs; describe the proper use of a latex condom; demonstrate condom negotiation skills. This lesson includes a condom demonstration.

• Lesson 11: Media and Peer Pressure
  o Students will: identify pressures from peers, media, or society to engage in high-risk behaviors; recognize that not all students participate in high-risk behaviors; demonstrate skills to refuse/avoid the pressure to engage in high-risk behaviors.

• Lesson 12: Accessing Community Resources
  o Students will: describe how an HIV infection can spread through a population; identify resources for HIV/STI testing, counseling, and information.

• Lesson 13: Steps to Success
  o Students will: identify behaviors and choices that move them closer to, or further away from, their life plans and goals; specify several next steps they need to take toward accomplishing their life plans and goals; create and sign a Personal Contract affirming their commitment to avoiding HIV/STI infection or an unplanned pregnancy; assess what they learned throughout the curriculum; complete a self-assessment of current knowledge (post-test) related to interpersonal relationships and sexual health.