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The Department of Special Education developed an Accommodations Toolkit with some general recommendations for accommodations to use while implementing the AISD Human Sexuality & Responsibility (HSR) curriculum. This is not an exhaustive list and teachers are reminded to always refer to a student's IEP first when considering what accommodations to utilize.

Below are specific examples of accommodations that teachers might implement when teaching the Kindergarten HSR curriculum.

Lesson 1 - My Body

- Engage & Explore
 - Provide visual/verbal <u>sentence starters</u>
 - Use visual supports: pictures, illustrations, gestures, pointing
 - Allow gestures and other alternate modes of communication (including <u>Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC)</u> and switch devices)
 - Model appropriate responses or ask a peer to model an appropriate response
 - Provide reinforcement for appropriate behavior during lessons
- Evaluate
 - Consider creating movements for each line of the pledge to make it kinesthetic.
 - For the Home Connections Handout, allow students to find pictures (i.e., photos) that represent the two trusted adults.

Lesson 2 - Listening to My Body

- Engage
 - When asking for volunteers to share how yes/no felt in their body, consider providing visual/verbal <u>sentence starters</u> (i.e., "In my chest, yes felt like...")
- Explore
 - Assign a student partner to help with cutting & pasting
 - Provide extra time to complete this activity
- Evaluate
 - Provide visual/verbal <u>sentence starters</u>
 - Allow gestures and other alternate modes of communication (including AAC and switch devices)

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• For the Home Connections Handout, allow students to find pictures (i.e., in magazines or on the internet) that represent these feelings.

Lesson 3 - Keeping My Body Safe

- Engage
 - If you previously created movements for each line of the pledge to make it kinesthetic, review them here.
- Explore
 - For the "yes, no, sometimes activity," provide a visual of each movement.
 - Provide visual/verbal <u>sentence starters</u> to support student responses.
- Evaluate
 - Consider showing all or part of the video again, if needed for review.
 - Provide visual/verbal <u>sentence starters</u>
 - Allow gestures and other alternate modes of communication (including AAC and switch devices)
 - Show visuals from previous lessons during the unit wrap-up activity for cognitive (memory) & language support.