CONSENT

YES!!!

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YES!!!

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Our Approach:

PRIMARY PREVENTION
(Public Health)

"Primary prevention is about changing our social and cultural norms in order to create a safer, healthier world for all of us."

(www.mecasa.org)
Physical

Verbal

Ideas

Homophobia, sexism, heterosexism, transphobia, ableism, ageism, racism, classism, etc
Who Can Define Consent?
Key Words

- Yes
- Enthusiastic
- Verbal / Nonverbal
- Mutual / Agreement
- Ongoing
- Freely Given
Consent is *not*...

- coercion
- manipulation
- threats
- physical force
- incapacitation
Alcohol?

There are no laws about blood alcohol level & ability to participate in sexual activity, however, alcohol affects CONSENT.
Consent is **NOT**...

The absence of a no
Key Words

- Yes
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Words to Avoid

- No / No means No
- Compromise
- Contract
- Gendered language
- Both
- Bases / Levels of Intimacy
Consent = yes!!!

1) Body Language
2) Verbal
3) Ongoing Communication
Consent is hearing and seeing a *yes!*

- 20% verbal
- 80% non-verbal/body language
1 Non-verbal communication
- facial expression
- eye contact
- body language
- participation
If the person initiating is getting
mixed signals?
If the person initiating is getting mixed signals, just slow down... consent is needed.

STOP & ASK
Verbal communication

- do you want a hug?
- can I kiss you?
- is this okay with you?
Can I kiss you, honey?

asking for consent is healthy & normal
BOM BOMP

OH, MY GOD.
Misleading Myths
Abuse of Power
Physical  Verbal

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How are you seeing consent being taught?

Are there any pitfalls to these methods?
WHAT CAN I DO?!!
Students say

1. Take it Seriously
2. Model / Practice Consent
being an active bystander

4D’s

- Direct
- Distract
- Delegate
- Delayed
Consent or No Consent?
Sam leans in to kiss Sarah and Sarah leans in, too.

👍❓mixed❓signals❓
2. Priya pushes Carl’s hands away when he tries to take her shirt off while they’re kissing. Priya is still smiling and giggling, so Carl continues to take off Priya’s shirt.

👍❓mixed signals?
3. Steven pressures Jon to have sex. Steven tells Jon that if he really cared about him, Jon would be ready for this step in their relationship and they will break up if Jon isn’t ready. Jon is worried that Steven will “out” him at school if they break up. Jon has sex with Steven so they can stay together.

??mixed signals??
4. Sam asks Emily if she wants to send sexy Snapchats with him.

mixed signals?
5. Emily tells her best friend, Rachel, about Sam’s request. Emily’s best friend tells her she doesn’t have to, and that it shouldn’t affect her relationship with Sam either way.
6. Jadeen sees Cal and Molly snuggling on the couch at a birthday party. When Molly kisses Cal's neck Cal looks uncomfortable. Molly pulls them closer to her.

¿ Mixed signals? ¿

❓mixed signals❓
Homework!