

# Corvallis School District 509J

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## Animal Dissection

District students in grades K through 12 may refuse to dissect any vertebrate or invertebrate animal. In addition, the student's parents may refuse to allow their student to participate in the dissection of animals. The district shall notify students who have dissection as part of their course work and the parents of those students about the provisions of this policy in advance of the dissection exercise.

The district shall allow the student to participate in an alternative exercise to demonstrate competency in the coursework. This exercise may include videos, DVDs, CD-Roms, films, computer programs, models, books, clay modeling, or transparencies.

A teacher may not discriminate against or lower the grade of a student for not participating in the dissection exercise, so long as the student participates in an alternative exercise that demonstrates competency.

END OF POLICY

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### Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 337.300](#)