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CHAPTER 40

AN ACT to amend 40.46 (1), (2), (3) (a) and (4) to (10) of the statutes, relating to school curriculum requirements.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

40.46 (1), (2), (3) (a) and (4) to (10) of the statutes are amended to read:

40.46 (1) Reading, writing, spelling, English grammar and composition, geography, arithmetic, elements of agriculture and conservation of natural resources, history and civil government of the United States and of Wisconsin, citizenship and such other branches as the board determines shall be taught in * * * *each* elementary school. All instruction shall be in the English language, except that the board may cause any foreign language to be taught to such pupils as desire it, not to exceed one hour each day.

(2) Physiology and hygiene, sanitation, the effects of stimulants and narcotics upon the human system, symptoms of disease and the proper care of the body, shall be taught * * * in either the sixth, seventh or eighth grade, but no pupil shall be required to take such instruction if the parents file with the teacher a written objection thereto. * * * *Instruction in* physiology and hygiene shall be offered in each high school curriculum.

(3) (a) Physical instruction and training shall be provided for all pupils in conformity with the course of instruction in physical education prescribed by the state superintendent. In 1- and 2-room schools such instruction and training shall take the form of supervised playground work. * * *

(4) Each public school * * * shall * * * *provide instruction on the prevention of accidents and * * * promotion of safety on the public highways.*

(5) * * * *Each public school * * * shall * * * provide instruction in morality and * * * the individual's responsibility as a social being.*

(6) Each public school * * * shall * * * *provide instruction in kindness to and the habits, usefulness and importance of animals and birds, and the best methods of protecting, preserving and caring for all animal and bird life.*

(7) Each public school * * * shall * * * *provide instruction on fire prevention.*

(8) * * * *Each high school and school of vocational and adult education shall * * * provide instruction in co-operative marketing and consumers' co-operatives and conservation of natural resources.*

(9) * * * *Each public and private elementary and high * * * school shall * * * give instruction in * * * the true and comparative vitamin content and food and health values of dairy products and their importance for human diet. The course of such instruction and the educational material therefor shall be prescribed by the state superintendent and shall be included in the instruction manuals for such schools. Such educational program shall be directed by the state superintendent through county and city superintendents and such other educational officials whose co-operation may be deemed necessary to insure its success. The state department of agriculture, the state board of health and the college of agriculture of the university of Wisconsin and the extension division thereof shall co-operate with and assist the state superintendent in the development and execution of such program.*

(10) * * * *Each* public and private school shall, by appropriate instruction and ceremonial to be formulated by the state superintendent, * * * *provide instruction in* the proper reverence and respect for and the history and meaning of the American flag, the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution, *the constitution and laws of the state of Wisconsin* as well as the duties and responsibilities of citizenship, so that government of the people, by the people and for the people may function and endure in the United States of America.

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