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Support

I am writing to urge support of H5604. Sexual education in schools needs to adapt beyond the traditional "birds and bees" approach of the past. It needs to recognize that not all relationships are male/female and that not all people identify as those genders either. We need to go beyond "don't do it before marriage" and teach children how to accept themselves and each other and that sex is not shameful. Please note that I am on the school committee in North Kingstown but the views represented here are my own.

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"Diversity is a fact. Equity is a choice. Inclusion is an action. Belonging is an outcome." - Arthur Chan