

THE FIVE STONES VENTURE, INC.

## FIVE STONES VENTURE SEEKS RECORDS FROM "PIZZA AND CONSENT" SEX ASSIGNMENT ISSUED TO CT MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

The FSV sent a FOIA request to the Enfield Connecticut Superintendent of Schools seeking records related to the now-infamous "Pizza and Consent" assignment emailed to Enfield Middle School Children.

"Pizza and Consent" is an assignment that requires students to use pizza toppings as metaphors for their own sexual preferences. Created by Al Vernacchio, the use of pizza toppings is an effort to divert from using baseball-themed references for sex. His "TED Talk" can be found here:

https://www.ted.com/talks/al\_vernacchio\_sex\_needs\_a\_new\_metaphor\_here\_s\_one?l anguage=en



(Vernacchio)

Some excerpts from the assignment:

## Personal Pizza

Now that you know this metaphor for sex, let's explore your preferences! Draw and color your favorite type of pizza. What's your favorite style of pizza? Your favorite toppings? What are your pizza no-nos? Now mirror these preferences in relation to sex! Here are some examples: Likes: Cheese = Kissing Dislikes: Olives = Giving oral

Obviously, you might not be able to list all of your wants, desires, and boundaries, but hopefully you'll start feeling more comfortable about discussing them. For those of ya'll who don't like pizza or sex at all, feel free to draw out another food favorite or include non-sexual activities.

## What's pizza otta do with it?

We can use pizza as a metaphor for sex! When you order pizza with your friends, everyone checks in about each other's preferences, right? Some people might be vegan, some might be gluten-free. Others might love pineapple, while others prefer pepperoni. Some might not like pizza at all. If you're a vegetarian, but your friend is a meat-lover, sharing a pizza is going to bring up a lot of issues. You don't know who you can share pizza with unless you ask!

The same goes with sex! You have to check in with your partner(s) and ask for their preferences. Your partner(s) might be comfortable with one sexual activity, but not another. Maybe your partner(s) only want to be touched a certain way, or maybe your partner(s) prefer to use certain language. Or maybe they don't like or want sex at all. You'll never know if your wants, desires, and boundaries are compatible with theirs unless you ask.

So start a conversation! It's the only way sex (and pizza) can be comfortable and enjoyable for everyone.

Justifiably outraged parents appeared at a Board of Education Meeting in Enfield to protest what Superintendent Christopher Drezek called a "mistake," stating that there is "no secret cabal to indoctrinate kids on something." Enfield parent and outreach Pastor at New Day Church, Tracey Jarvis, told the Board that this assignment is giving children "way more information than they are psychologically ready to handle at this age," and "by doing this, you open up doors for them to have partners that are older than them, increasing statutory situations."

FSV is actively investigating the circumstances surrounding this "accident" and working alongside local parents to further examine the local curriculum. The documents will be posted on the FSV.com.

FSV's FOIA request can be found here: https://www.thefsv.com/\_files/ugd/67def0\_0d5132ec2a694aa78f79014efc318fe1.pdf

News articles here: <u>https://nypost.com/2022/02/10/conn-students-told-to-use-pizza-toppings-as-metaphors-for-sex/</u>

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-10497029/School-calls-assignmentcomparing-pizza-toppings-sex-acts-mistake.html

Video of the Board of Health Meeting: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3DWeoQ0zcGM