

February 24, 2015

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As part of the genetics unit, we would like to show the movie, "Life's Greatest Miracle" which is an updated version of the award winning documentary, "The Miracle of Life." This video is produced by PBS in their Nova series. It is an extraordinary and informative movie that discusses the events of development during pregnancy including fertilization, embryo-fetus development, and birth. We intend to show the program within the next week. You can watch it at this link: <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/body/life-greatest-miracle.html>.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of two brief segments: the first explains how an egg get fertilized and represents the sexual act as a "dance" between a couple that is recorded in an infrared camera and the second segment shows a live birth. This segment lasts about 2 minutes. If you **would not** like your child to participate in the viewing of "Life's Greatest Miracle" and the discussion following the video, please return this letter with your child as soon as possible. We will have an alternate activity for him/her in another location.

If you should have any questions or would care to join us for the viewing, please do not hesitate to call (860) 292-5012 or email us at [jczuprynski@wlps.org](mailto:jczuprynski@wlps.org) or [tcondon@wlps.org](mailto:tcondon@wlps.org). Thank you!

Respectfully,

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I DO NOT want my child, \_\_\_\_\_, to view the movie, "Life's Greatest Miracle."

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