

Finding Common Ground on Sexuality/HIV Education



Workshop I: Through Different Lenses

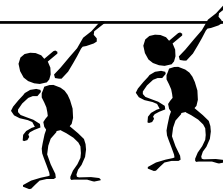


“We don’t see things as they are; we see them as we are.”

Individuals view the world (and how they think it should be) through their own “moral lenses.” Often these perspectives are reflected in organized groups involved in cultural struggles over social issues including sexuality education. In the first of three coordinated sessions, Dr. Evonne Hedgepeth describes the two philosophical “camps” in the Culture War and how each views the proper role and character of sexuality education.

Outcomes: increased understanding of the conflict and increased willingness to work together to find common ground

Workshop II and III: Finding Common Ground



In these sessions, learners participate in a series of exercises working in groups to identify shared values and beliefs about sexuality, including the rights and responsibilities of youth, the proper role of the school and the rights of parents. Guidelines and strategies for working more effectively together to serve youth also are provided.

Outcomes: increased awareness of existing common ground and shared objectives in serving all youth, including marginalized groups

About the Facilitator

Evonne Hedgepeth, Ph.D., is Executive Director of **Lifespan Education**, a training and consulting business on sexuality education and numerous other human relations topics. She is co-author of **Teaching about Sexuality and HIV**, acclaimed by SIECUS as “one of the most influential books written in the fields of human sexuality and sexuality education in the past 35 years.” She can be reached via www.lifespaneducation.com or by phone at 360-352-9980.