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FYI- Please share this information with your school contacts.

According to Arkansas [Act 637 of 2023](#), beginning the 2023-2024 school year, public schools shall provide one (1) hour of adoption awareness instruction to students enrolled in grades six through twelve (6-12). The Division of Elementary and Secondary Education, in collaboration with the Gladney Center for Adoption, has developed three adoption education awareness courses with accompanying lesson plans to assist educators with providing interactive adoption education instruction in the classroom setting.

To access the Adoption Awareness Education course materials, visit the DESE School Health Services website [HERE](#).

For questions regarding the Arkansas Adoption Awareness Education program, please contact the DESE School Health Services office.

Thanks,

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