Nondiscrimination

The district shall promote nondiscrimination and an environment free of harassment based on an individual's race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation[1], national origin, marital status, age or disability, because of the race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, marital status, age or disability of any other persons with whom the individual associates.

In keeping with requirements of federal and state law, the district strives to remove any vestige of discrimination in employment, assignment and promotion of personnel; in educational opportunities and services offered students; in student assignment to schools and classes; in student discipline; in location and use of facilities; in educational offerings and materials; and in accommodating the public at public meetings.

The Board encourages staff to improve human relations within the schools and to establish channels through which citizens can communicate their concerns to the administration and the Board.

The superintendent shall appoint and make known the individuals to contact on issues concerning the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008 (ADA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title VI, Title VII, Title IX and other civil rights or discrimination issues[2]. The district will publish grievance procedures providing for prompt and equitable resolution of student and employee complaints.

Federal civil rights laws prohibit discrimination against an individual because he/she has opposed any discrimination act or practice; or because that person has filed a charge; testified, assisted or participated in an investigation, proceeding or hearing. ADA further prohibits anyone from coercing, intimidating, threatening or interfering with an individual for exercising the rights guaranteed under the Act.

END OF POLICY

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[1]"Sexual orientation" means an individual's actual or perceived heterosexuality, homosexuality, bisexuality or gender identity, regardless of whether the individual's gender identity, appearance, expression or behavior differs from that traditionally associated with the individual's sex at birth.

[2]Districts are reminded that the district is required to notify students and employees of the name, office address and telephone number of the employee or employees appointed.

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 174.100
ORS 192.630
ORS 326.051(1)(e)
ORS 342.934(3)
ORS 659.805
ORS 659.815
ORS 659.850
ORS 659.865
ORS 659.870
ORS 659A.003
ORS 659A.006

ORS 659A.009
ORS 659A.029
ORS 659A.030
ORS 659A.043
ORS 659A.103
ORS 659A.109
ORS 659A.112 - 659A.139
ORS 659A.142
ORS 659A.145
ORS 659A.233
ORS 659A.236

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Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6101-6107 (2006).
Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634 (2006); 29 C.F.R Part 1626 (2006).
Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213; 29 C.F.R. Part 1630 (2006); 28 C.F.R. Part 35 (2006).
Equal Pay Act of 1963, 29 U.S.C. § 206(d) (2006).
Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. §§ 503, 791, 793-794 (2006).
Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683 (2006); Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance, 34 C.F.R. Part 106 (2006).
Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d (2006).
Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e (2006).
Wygant v. Jackson Bd. of Educ., 476 U.S. 267 (1989).
Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008.
The Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended, 38 U.S.C. § 4212.
Title II of the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008.

Cross Reference(s):

ACA - Americans with Disabilities Act
GBA - Equal Employment Opportunity
JB - Equal Educational Opportunity