

EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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The board affirms the principle that every student – regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, gender, cultural or economic background, disability, or sexual orientation – should be given an equal educational opportunity for educational development. Further, no student, on the basis of gender, marital status, pregnancy, or parenthood, will be excluded from participating in, denied the benefits of, or subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity conducted by the district. The school district will treat its students without discrimination in regard to course offerings, athletics, counseling, and extracurricular activities.

Any student, parent or guardian who feels that this policy has been misinterpreted, misapplied or violated may file a grievance.

The superintendent will develop appropriate procedures to ensure that public education is provided to each qualified student with disabilities in accordance with 34 C.F.R. pt. 104, subpart D.

Legal References: The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 706(8), 794, 34 C.F.R. pt. 104; The Americans With Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. 12134, 28 C.F.R., pt. 35; G.S. 115C-1, -106(a), -111, -367.

Cross References: Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disabilities (policy 7231), Student and Parent Grievance Procedure (policy 1740), Education for Pregnant and Parenting Students (policy 4030).