

Nondiscrimination

The district shall promote nondiscrimination and an environment free of harassment based on an individual's race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation¹, national origin, marital status, age or disability in any educational programs, activities or employment, or 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, this school 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. The Board will adopt and 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. The ADA further prohibits anyone from coercing, intimidating, threatening or interfering with an individual for exercising the rights guaranteed under the Act.

END OF POLICY

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

Legal Reference(s):

<u>ORS 192.630</u>	<u>ORS 659.037</u>	<u>ORS 659.410</u>
<u>ORS 326.051 (1)(e)</u>	<u>ORS 659.150</u>	<u>ORS 659.415</u>
<u>ORS 342.934 (3)</u>	<u>ORS 659.165</u>	<u>ORS 659.425</u>
<u>ORS 659.015</u>	<u>ORS 659.175</u>	
<u>ORS 659.020</u>	<u>ORS 659.210</u>	<u>OAR 581-021-0045</u>
<u>ORS 659.028</u>	<u>ORS 659.230</u>	<u>OAR 581-021-0046</u>
<u>ORS 659.029</u>	<u>ORS 659.270</u>	<u>OAR 581-021-0049</u>
<u>ORS 659.030</u>	<u>ORS 659.340</u>	<u>OAR 581-022-1140</u>
<u>ORS 659.035</u>	<u>ORS 659.405</u>	

Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C.A. Section 6101-6107 (2006)
Age Discrimination In Employment Act of 1967, 29 U.S.C.A. Section 621-634 (2006); 29 C.F.R. Part 1626 (2006)
Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. Section 12101-12213; 29 CFR Part 1630 (2006); 28 CFR Part 35 (2006)
Equal Pay Act of 1963, 29 U.S.C.A. Section 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. Sections 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. Section 2000d (2006)
Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. Section 2000e (2006)
Wygant v. Jackson Board of Education, 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.