

Lower Merion School District

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Section:	STUDENTS
Title:	TRANSGENDER & GENDER DIVERSE STUDENTS – ENSURING EQUITY AND NONDISCRIMINATION
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The Lower Merion School District is committed to providing a safe, supportive and inclusive learning environment for all students and employees. The District is also dedicated to ensuring that every student has equal access to the District’s educational programs and activities. Additionally, the District’s policies require that all schools and all personnel promote acceptance and respect among students and staff. This policy reflects the Board’s support in ensuring that transgender and gender diverse (TGD) students are provided such equal opportunity and access to programs, services, facilities, and activities.

To ensure that TGD individuals are provided with such equal opportunity and access, the Board authorizes the Superintendent or their designee to develop and promulgate regulations designed to ensure the safety, comfort, and healthy development of TGD students while maximizing such students social integration with other students and minimizing stigmatization and isolation. The regulation’s purpose is to provide guidance for District staff regarding issues relating to TGD individuals in order to create and maintain a safe and supportive environment for all.