

RECRUITING AND HIRING OF ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

The RSU No. 5 Board affirms its commitment to the strict prohibition of discrimination in employment on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, religion, ancestry or national origin, disability, age, pregnancy, or genetic information and to the principle of affirmative action to obtain wide and representative candidate pools.

For the purpose of this policy, “race” includes traits associated with race, including hair texture, Afro hairstyles, and protective hairstyles, including braids, twists, and locs.

In accordance with 20A MRSA, section 1001.13, the Superintendent shall prepare a procedure designed to ensure nondiscriminatory practice in recruitment and hiring for all positions requiring administrator certification, as well as to result in selection of the most qualified candidates. This procedure shall be attached hereto as GCFB-R, and shall be reviewed periodically.

Moreover, upon each occasion of administrative vacancy, the Superintendent shall review the procedure and make appropriate adaptations as may be warranted by special circumstances. In the case of a vacancy in the superintendency, the RSU No. 5 Board shall review the procedure, adapting as appropriate.

RSU No. 5 provides equity training prior to the hiring of administrators. In accordance with 20A MRSA, section 4502.4-A, the RSU No. 5’s Affirmative Action Plan shall include: a description of the status of RSU No. 5’s nondiscriminatory administrator hiring practice, and plans for in-service training programs on gender equity for teachers, administrators and the Board.

Legal Reference: 5 MRSA § 4576 (Maine Human Rights Act)
20-A MRSA §§ 1001(13), 4502(4-A)

Cross Reference: AC – Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity
GBJC – Retention of Application Materials
GCFB-R – Recruiting and Hiring of Administrative Staff -
Administrative Procedure

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