

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: February 1, 2024
TOPIC: #5.3 – First Reading of Proposed Updates to Policies
PRESENTER: Julie Nielsen, Superintendent
REFERENCE TO POLICY/STATUTE: Policy 208

A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- a. The following policies are reviewed yearly and have been revised to reflect updates in Minnesota Statute, definition of terms, legal references, and cross references.
- b. Board Policy Committee members reviewed the policies and made recommendations to administration.
- c. Current policies are located online at <https://www.sowashco.org/about-us/school-board/school-board-policies>.
- d. Following this agenda item, the public will have an opportunity to address the board regarding the policies being revised and the changes outlined.

410 Family & Medical Leave	Proposed changes to section IV, B and the cross references
413 Harassment & Violence	Proposed change to definition of sexual orientation to adhere to the MN Human Rights Act & 2023 legislation
414 Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse	No proposed changes
415 Mandated Reporting of Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults	No proposed changes
505 Distribution of Non-School Sponsored Materials on School Premises by Students and Employees	Grammatical changes only
514 Bullying Prohibition	No proposed changes
522 Title IX Nondiscrimination Policy, Grievance Procedure and Process	No proposed changes
616 School District System Accountability	Added information about Standards & Instruction Review Cycle (SIRC)
626 Literacy and the READ Act	New policy
806 Crisis Management	No proposed changes

These policies will return for board approval on February 22, 2024.



B. RECOMMENDATION

- a. Information

C. CONNECTION TO STRATEGIC PRIORITY

- a. Student Experience
- b. Mastery of Learning and Expectations
- c. Student Pathways and Systemic Supports
- d. Operations, Staffing, and Finance
- e. Engagement and Partnerships

