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This policy shall apply to all acts related to a school activity or school attendance and to all acts of the Governing Board and the Superintendent in enacting policies and procedures that govern the district.

The Board is committed to providing equal opportunity for all individuals in district programs and activities. District programs, activities, and practices shall be free from unlawful discrimination, including discrimination against an individual or group based on race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, ethnicity, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, parental status, reproductive health decision making, physical or mental disability, medical condition, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, veteran or military status, or genetic information; a perception of one or more of such characteristics; or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

All individuals shall be treated equitably in the receipt of district and school services. Personally identifiable information collected in the implementation of any district program, including, but not limited to, student and family information for the free and reduced-price lunch program, transportation, or any other educational program, shall be used only for the purposes of the program, except when the Superintendent or designee authorizes its use for another purpose in accordance with law. Resources and data collected by the district shall not be used, directly or by others, to compile a list, registry, or database of individuals based on race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, ethnicity, national origin, or immigration status or any other category identified above.

District programs and activities shall be free of any discriminatory use, selection, or rejection of textbooks, instructional materials, library books, or similar educational resources.

The use of any textbook, instructional material, supplemental instructional material, or other curriculum for classroom instruction, or any book or other resource in a school library shall not be rejected or prohibited by the Board or district on the basis that it includes a study of the role and contributions of any individual or group consistent with the requirements of Education Code 51204.5 and 60040, unless such study would violate Education Code 51501 or 60044. (Education Code 243)

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District programs and activities shall be free of any racially derogatory or discriminatory school or athletic team names, mascots, or nicknames.

The Superintendent or designee shall annually review district programs and activities to ensure the removal of any derogatory or discriminatory name, image, practice, or other barrier that may unlawfully prevent an individual or group in any of the protected categories stated above from accessing district programs and activities. The Superintendent or designee shall take prompt, reasonable actions to remove any identified barrier. The Superintendent or designee shall report the findings and recommendations to the Board after each review.

All allegations of unlawful discrimination in district programs and activities shall be brought, investigated, and resolved in accordance with Board Policy 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

Pursuant to 34 CFR 104.8 and 34 CFR 106.8, the Superintendent or designee shall notify students, parents/guardians, employees, employee organizations, applicants for admission and employment, and sources of referral for applicants about the district's policy on nondiscrimination and related complaint procedures. Such notification shall be included in the annual parental notification distributed pursuant to Education Code 48980 and, as applicable, in announcements, bulletins, catalogs, handbooks, application forms, or other materials distributed by the district. The notification shall also be posted on the district's website and social media and in district schools and offices, including staff lounges, student government meeting rooms, and other prominent locations as appropriate.

In addition, the annual parental notification shall inform parents/guardians of their children's right to a free public education regardless of immigration status or religious beliefs, including information on educational rights issued by the California Attorney General. Alternatively, such information may be provided through any other cost-effective means determined by the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 234.7)

The district's nondiscrimination policy and related informational materials shall be published in a format that parents/guardians can understand. In addition, when 15 percent or more of a school's students speak a single primary language other than English, those materials shall be translated into that other language. (Education Code 48985; 20 USC 6312)

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#### Access for Individuals with Disabilities

District programs and facilities, viewed in their entirety, shall be in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and any implementing standards and/or regulations. When structural changes to existing district facilities are needed to provide individuals with disabilities access to programs, services, activities, or facilities, the Superintendent or designee shall develop a transition plan that sets forth the steps for completing the changes.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the district provides appropriate auxiliary aids and services when necessary to afford individuals with disabilities equal opportunity to participate in or enjoy the benefits of a service, program, or activity. These aids and services may include, but are not limited to, qualified interpreters or readers, assistive listening devices, assistive technologies or other modifications to increase accessibility to district and school websites, notetakers, written materials, taped text, and Braille or large-print materials. Individuals with disabilities shall notify the Superintendent or designee if they have a disability that requires special assistance or services. Reasonable notification should be given prior to a school-sponsored function, program, or meeting.

The individual identified in Administrative Regulation 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures as the employee responsible for coordinating the district's response to complaints and for complying with state and federal civil rights laws is hereby designated as the district's ADA coordinator. The compliance officer shall receive and address requests for accommodation submitted by individuals with disabilities, and shall investigate and resolve complaints regarding their access to district programs, services, activities, or facilities.

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These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State	Description
5 CCR 4600-4670	Uniform complaint procedures
5 CCR 4900-4965	Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary
	educational programs receiving state or federal financial
	assistance
Ed. Code 200-262.4	<u>Prohibition of discrimination</u>
Ed. Code 48980	Parent/Guardian notifications
Ed. Code 48985	Notices to parents in language other than English
Ed. Code 51007	Legislative intent: state policy
Ed. Code 51204.5	Social sciences instruction; contributions of specified
	groups
Ed. Code 51501	Nondiscriminatory subject matter
Ed. Code 60010	<u>Instructional materials; definition</u>
Ed. Code 60040-60052	Requirements for instructional materials
Gov. Code 11000	<u>Definitions</u>
Gov. Code 11135	<u>Prohibition of discrimination</u>
Gov. Code 12900-12996	<u>Fair Employment and Housing Act</u>
Gov. Code 54953	Meetings; Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility
Gov. Code 54953.2	Brown Act compliance with Americans with Disabilities
	<u>Act</u>
Gov. Code 8310.3	<u>California Religious Freedom Act</u>
Pen. Code 422.55	<u>Definition of hate crime</u>
Pen. Code 422.6	<u>Crimes; harassment</u>
Federal	Description
20 USC 1400-1482	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
20 USC 1681-1688	Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972;
	discrimination based on sex
20 USC 2301-2414	Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the
	21st Century Act
20 USC 6311	State plan
20 USC 6312	Local educational agency plan
28 CFR 35.101-35.190	Americans with Disabilities Act
28 CFR 36.303	Nondiscrimination on the basis of disability, public
	accommodations, auxiliary aids, and services
29 USC 794	Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Section 504
34 CFR 100.1-100.13	Nondiscrimination in federal programs; effectuating Title VI
34 CFR 104.1-104.39	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
34 CFR 106.1-106.82	Discrimination on the basis of sex; effectuating Title IX
42 USC 12101-12213	Americans with Disabilities Act
42 USC 2000d-2000d-7	Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964
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42 USC 2000e-2000e-17	Title VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended
Management Resources	Description
CA Civil Rights Department	California Law Prohibits Workplace Discrimination and
Publication	<u>Harassment</u>
CA Department of Health Care	Policy and Procedures Letter No. 21-017R, December
Services Publication	2021
CA Department of Health Care Services Publication	Policy and Procedures Letter No. 23-004, February 2023
CA Office of the Attorney General	Promoting a Safe and Secure Learning Environment for
Publication	All: Guidance and Model Policies to Assist California's
	K-12 Schools in Responding to Immigration Issues, April
	<u>2018</u>
CSBA Publication	Parental and Student Rights in Relation to Transgender
	and Gender Nonconforming Students, Recently Asked
	Questions, August 2023
CSBA Publication	Legal Guidance on Rights of Transgender and Gender
	Nonconforming Students in Schools, October 2022
U.S. DOE & U.S. DOJ Civil Rights	Dear Colleague Letter: Resource on Confronting Racial
Divisions Pub	Discrimination in Student Discipline, May 2023
U.S. DOE, Office for Civil Rights	Supporting Transgender Youth in School, June 2021
Publication	
U.S. DOE, Office for Civil Rights	Dear Colleague Letter: Frequently Asked Questions
Publication	About the June 29, 2010, Dear Colleague Letter, May
	<u>26, 2011</u>
U.S. DOE, Office for Civil Rights	Nondiscrimination in Employment Practices in
Publication	Education, August 1991
U.S. DOE, Office for Civil Rights	Dear Colleague Letter: Race and School Programming,
Publication	<u>August 2023</u>
U.S. DOE, Office for Civil Rights	Dear Colleague Letter: Electronic Book Readers, June
Publication	<u>29, 2010</u>
U.S. DOE, Office for Civil Rights	Dear Colleague Letter: Harassment and Bullying,
Publication	<u>October 2010</u>
U.S. DOJ, Civil Rights Division	Guidance on Web Accessibility and the ADA, March
Publication	2022
U.S. DOJ, Civil Rights Division	Accessibility of State and Local Government Websites to
Publication	People with Disabilities, February 2020
U.S. DOJ, Civil Rights Division	2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design, September
Publication	<u>2010</u>
Website	CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal
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Website <u>U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division,</u>

**Disability Rights Section** 

Website <u>California Safe Schools Coalition</u>

Website <u>CSBA</u>

Website <u>California Department of Education</u>
Website <u>California Civil Rights Department</u>

WebsiteU.S. Equal Employment Opportunity CommissionWebsiteU.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil RightsWebsiteCalifornia Department of Health Care Services

World Wide Web Consortium Web Content Accessibility Guidelines, December 2008

Publication

#### **Cross References**

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0100	<u>Philosophy</u>
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0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
0470	COVID-19 Mitigation Plan
1100	<u>Communication With The Public</u>
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1113	<u>District And School Websites</u>
1113-E(1)	<u>District And School Websites</u>
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