## Victor Valley Union High School District NOTICE OF STUDENT POLICY PROHIBITING SEXUAL HARASSMENT

(BP/AR 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment; BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures) 2024-2025

Examples of types of conduct which are prohibited and which may constitute sexual harassment include:

- 1. Unwelcome leering, sexual flirtations, or propositions
- 2. Unwelcome sexual slurs, epithets, threats, verbal abuse, derogatory comments, or sexually degrading descriptions
- 3. Graphic verbal comments about an individual's body or overly personal conversation
- 4. Sexual jokes, derogatory posters, notes, stories, cartoons, drawings, pictures, obscene gestures, or computer-generated images of a sexual nature
- 5. Spreading sexual rumors
- 6. Teasing or sexual remarks about students enrolled in a predominantly single-sex class
- 7. Massaging, grabbing, fondling, stroking, or brushing the body
- 8. Touching an individual's body or clothes in a sexual way
- 9. Impeding or blocking movements or any physical interference with school activities when directed at an individual on the basis of sex
- 10. Displaying sexually suggestive objects
- 11. Sexual violence, including sexual assault, sexual battery, or sexual coercion
- 12. Electronic communications, such as through social media or text messaging, that contain comments, words, or images described above

To report a complaint of sexual harassment or obtain additional information related to this posting, please contact your school site administrator. If your complaint has not been resolved at the school site, please contact: Director of Student Services, 760-955-3201

Any Student Reporting Incidents of Sexual Harassment (Complainant and/or Victim):

- Has the right to file a formal written complaint with the school site and then with the District using the VVUHSD Bullying/Harassment Complaint Form which can be obtained at all school sites and on the VVUHSD website at https://www.vvuhsd.org/.
- Will be provided support services by the District/school site upon receipt of their complaint, which may include counseling, academic support services, and/or a "no contact" order.
- May agree to engage in procedures to informally resolve their complaint, as appropriate under AR 1312.3.
- Will be given the opportunity to explain and provide evidence related to their complaint.
- Will receive notice of the outcome of their complaint, as described in AR 1312.3.
- Will receive information about how to appeal the outcome of their complaint to the California Department of Education, should they disagree with it, as described in AR 1312.3.
- May file their complaint directly with the US Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights. The Individual Named in the Complaint (Respondent/Alleged Offender):
  - Will be informed of the claims brought forth against them.
  - Will be provided by the District/school site, while any complaint is pending against them, which may include counseling, academic support services, and/or a "no contact" order.
  - May agree to engage in procedures to informally resolve the complaint brought forth against them, as appropriate under AR 1312.3.
  - Will be given the opportunity to respond to and provide evidence related to the complaint.
  - Will receive notice of the outcome of the complaint brought forth against them, as described in AR 1312.3.
  - May be subject to disciplinary action up to including suspension and/or expulsion depending on the facts of the case.

## The District/School Site:

- Will report complaints of sexual harassment to the District's Title IX Coordinator or designee for processing. The school site will complete the initial investigation and forward the results to the Director of Student Services. If the complaint has not been resolved at the school site level, the designee will initiate an investigation into the complaint. At the conclusion of the investigation, the designee will issue notice of the outcome to the Complainant/Victim and Respondent/Alleged Offender, in accordance with AR 1312.3.
- · Will assist in providing support services for the Complainant/Victim and Respondent/Alleged Offender while any complaint is pending.
- Will keep all complaints and allegations of sexual harassment confidential, except as necessary to carry out the investigation or take other subsequent necessary action.
- · Will implement appropriate corrective actions in cases where there has been a violation of District policy.