

Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans

Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities

The Governing Board is committed to providing equal opportunity for all individuals in education. District programs, activities, and practices shall be free from unlawful discrimination, including discrimination against an individual or group based on actual or perceived characteristics of race, color, ancestry, nationality, immigration status, age, ethnicity, religion, parental or pregnancy status, marital status, medical information, mental or physical disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, or any other legally protected status 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.

For inquiries/complaints, contact our Title IX Coordinator/Equity Officer, Douglas Williams, at (530) 538-2300, ext. 1107, or by email at dwilliams@ouhsd.net, or in person at 2211 Washington Avenue, Oroville, CA 95966.

- (cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)
- (cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)
- (cf. 4032 - Reasonable Accommodation)
- (cf. 4033 - Lactation Accommodation)
- (cf. 4119.11/4219.11/4319.11 - Sexual Harassment)
- (cf. 4161.8/4261.8/4361.8 - Family Care and Medical Leave)
- (cf. 5131.2 - Bullying)
- (cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)
- (cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)
- (cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)
- (cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Co-curricular Activities)
- (cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
- (cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)
- (cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)
- (cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)
- (cf. 6200 - Adult Education)

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

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51204.5 and 60040, unless such study would violate Education Code 51501 or 60044.
(Education Code 243)

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

Annually, the Superintendent or designee shall 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. He/she shall take prompt, reasonable actions to remove any identified barrier. The Superintendent or designee shall report his/her findings and recommendations to the Board after each review.

(cf. 1330 - Use of Facilities)

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

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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)

(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)

(cf. 1114 - District-Sponsored Social Media)

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

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.

Access for Individuals with Disabilities

District programs and facilities, viewed in their entirety, shall be in compliance with the

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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.

- (cf. 6163.2 - Animals at School)
- (cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
- (cf. 7111 - Evaluating Existing Buildings)

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 web sites, note takers, written materials, taped text, and Braille or large print materials. Individuals with disabilities shall notify the Superintendent or principal 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.

- (cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
- (cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)
- (cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)

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 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.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination
- 48900 Parent/Guardian notifications
- 48985 Notices to parents in language other than English
- 51007 Legislative intent: state policy
- 51204.5 Social sciences instruction: contributions of specified groups
- 51501 Nondiscriminatory subject matter
- 60010 Instructional materials: definition
- 60040-60052 Requirements for instructional material

GOVERNMENT CODE

- 11000 Definitions
- 11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state
- 12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act
- 54953 Meetings; Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility
- 54953.2 Brown Act compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act
- 8310.3 California Religious Freedom Act

PENAL CODE

- 422.55 Definition of hate crime

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422.6 Crimes; harassment
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures
4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act
1681-1688 Discrimination based on sex or blindness, Title IX
2301-2415 Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Act
6311 State plans
6312 Local education agency plans
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29
794 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42
2000d-2000d-7 Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964
2000e-2000e-17 Title VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended
2000h-2000h-6 Title IX
12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28
35.101-35.190 Americans with Disabilities Act
36.303 Auxiliary aids and services
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34
100.1-100.13 Nondiscrimination in federal programs, effectuating Title VI
104.1-104.39 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
106.1-106.61 Discrimination on the basis of sex, effectuating Title IX, especially:
Management Resources:
CSBA PUBLICATIONS
Updated Legal Guidance: Protecting Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Students Against
Sex Discrimination, July 2016
Providing a Safe, Nondiscriminatory School Environment for Transgender and Gender-
Nonconforming Students, Policy Brief, February 2014
Safe Schools: Strategies for Governing Boards to Ensure Student Success, 2011
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FAIR EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING PUBLICATIONS
California Law Prohibits Workplace Discrimination and Harassment
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PUBLICATIONS
Dear Colleague Letter: Transgender Students, May 2016
Examples of Policies and Emerging Practices for Supporting Transgender Students, May 2016
Dear Colleague Letter: Title IX Coordinators, April 2015
Dear Colleague Letter: Harassment and Bullying, October 2010
Dear Colleague Letter: Electronic Book Readers, June 29, 2010
Notice of Non-Discrimination, January 1999
Protecting Students from Harassment and Hate Crime, January 1999
Nondiscrimination in Employment Practices in Education, August 1991
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PUBLICATIONS
2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design, September 2010
Accessibility of State and Local Government Websites to People with Disabilities, June 2003
WORLD WIDE WEB CONSORTIUM PUBLICATIONS
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines, December 2008
WEB SITES
CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>
California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

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California Department of Fair Employment and Housing: <http://www.dfeh.ca.gov>

Safe Schools Coalition: <http://www.casafeschools.org>

Pacific ADA Center: <http://www.adapacific.org>

U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr>

U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Americans with Disabilities Act:

<http://www.ada.gov>

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission: <http://www.eeoc.gov>

World Wide Web Consortium, Web Accessibility Initiative: <http://www.w3.org/wai>

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