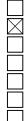


### SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 10.1g

Meeting Date: October 4, 2018

<u>Subject</u>: Approve Revisions to: Board Policies (BP) BP 0410 Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities; BP 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures; BP 5111 Admission; BP 5111.1 District Residency; BP 5125 Student Records; BP 5145.3 Nondiscrimination/Harassment; BP 5145.4 Anti-Bullying



Information Item Only Approval on Consent Agenda Conference (for discussion only) Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated:) Conference/Action Action Public Hearing

**Division:** Legal Services

**Recommendation:** Approval of the revised policies (BP 0410, BP 1312.3, BP 5111, BP 5111.1, BP 5125, BP 5145.3 and BP 5145.4)

**Background/Rationale:** The Governing Board is committed to maintaining a safe learning environment that is free from harassment and discrimination and respects the rights of all students and families. Revisions to numerous SCUSD Board policies are required in order to comply with new California laws, including updated Education Code Sections 220 and 234.1, which mandate that a student's and/or family's Immigration Status must be included within the list of protected classifications for which discrimination is prohibited. Each of the policies in this packet require update to comply with this requirement, and other numerous changes to state law.

#### Financial Considerations: None

LCAP Goal(s): Safe, Emotionally Healthy and Engaged Students

#### **Documents Attached:**

- 1. Redline versions of: BP 0410, BP 1312.3, BP 5111, BP 5111.1, BP 5125, BP 5145.3 and BP 5145.4
- 2. Clean versions of: BP 0410, BP 1312.3, BP 5111, BP 5111.1, BP 5125, BP 5145.3 and BP 5145.4

Estimated Time of Presentation: N/A

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Approved by: Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

# Sacramento City USD Board Policy

Nondiscrimination In District Programs And Activities

#### BP 0410

### Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans

The Governing Board is committed to equal opportunity for all individuals in-<u>education district</u> <u>programs and activities</u>. District programs and activities shall be free from discrimination based on race, color, ancestry, national origin, <u>immigration status</u>, ethnic group identification, <u>ethnicity</u>, age, religion, marital <u>status</u>, <u>or-pregnancy</u>, parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, <u>or-gender</u> expression, or genetic information; the 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.

(cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)

- (cf. 4032 Reasonable 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. 6145.2 Athletic Competition)
- (cf. 6164.4 Identification of Individuals for Special Education)
- (cf. 6164.6 Identification and Education under Section 504)
- (cf. 6178 Vocational Education)
- (cf. 6200 Adult Education)

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.

(cf. 3540 - Transportation) (cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals) (cf. 5145.13 - Response to Immigration Enforcement)

District programs and activities shall also 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 barrier that may unlawfully prevent an individual or group in any of the protected

categories stated above from accessing district programs and activities, including the use of facilities. 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)

Pursuant to 34 CFR 104.8 and 34 CFR 106.9, the Superintendent or designee shall notify students, parents/guardians, employee organizations and sources of referral and applicants for admission and employment, about the district's policy on nondiscrimination and related complaint procedures. Such notification shall be included in each announcement, bulletin, catalog, handbook or application form, or other materials distributed to these groups. (34 CFR 104.8, 106.9) 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. to these groups and, as applicable, to the public. As appropriate, such The notification shall also be posted on the district's web site and, when available, district-supported social media and shall be posted in district schools and offices, including staff lounges, student government meeting rooms, and other prominent locations as appropriateand shall be posted on the district's web site and, shall be posted on the district's web site and shall be posted on the district's web site and shall be posted on the district's web site and shall be posted on the district's web site and shall be posted on the district's web site and shall be posted on the district's web site and shall be posted on the district's web site and shall be posted on the district's web site and shall be posted on the district's web site and shall be posted on the district's web site and, when available, district-supported social media, when available, district-supported social media and shall be, district-supported social media.

(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)

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)

An individual filing a complaint of discrimination shall not be subjected to acts of retaliation for the purpose of interfering with any right secured by federal or state law. This includes acts of intimidation, threats, coercion, or discrimination.

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 4031 - Complaints Concerning Discrimination in Employment)
(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 Americans with Disabilities Act and any implementing standards and/or regulations. <u>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</u>

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, <u>assistive technologies or other</u> modifications to increase accessibility to district and school web site, notetakers, written materials, taped text, and Braille or large print materials.\_

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

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 the school-sponsored function, program, or meeting.

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

The individuals identified in AR 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. He/she 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.

Lead Compliance Officer Chief Human Resource Officer 5735 - 47th Avenue Sacramento, CA 95824 (916) 643-7474

Compliance Officer for Claims of Student-to-Student Discrimination or Harassment Director of Student Hearing and Placement 5735 - 47th Avenue Sacramento, CA 95824 (916) 643-9425

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination <u>48980 Parental notification</u> 48985 Notices to parents in language other than English 51007 Legislative intent: state policy GOVERNMENT CODE <u>8310.3 California Religious Freedom Act</u> 11000 Definitions

11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state

11138 Rules and regulations

12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act

54953.2 Brown Act compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act

PENAL CODE

422.55 Definition of hate crime

422.6 Interference with constitutional right or privilege

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4600-46<u>70</u>87 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:

106.9 Dissemination of policy

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Providing a Safe, Nondiscriminatory School Environment for Transgender and

Gender-Nonconforming Students, Policy Brief, February 2014

Interim Guidance Regarding Transgender Students, Privacy, and Facilities, September 27, 2013 Safe Schools: Strategies for Governing Boards to Ensure Student Success, 2011

CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PUBLICATIONS

Promoting a Safe and Secure Learning Environment for All: Guidance and Model Policies to Assist California's K-12 Schools in Responding to Immigration Issues, April 2018

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 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PUBLICATIONS

Examples of Policies and Emerging Practices for Supporting Transgender Students, May 2016

Dear Colleague Letter: Title IX Coordinators, April 2015

Dear Colleague Letter, May 26, 2011

Dear Colleague Letter: Harassment and Bullying, October 2010

Notice of Non-Discrimination, Fact Sheet, August 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 WEB SITES CSBA: http://www.csba.org California Department of Education: http://www.cde.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

#### Policy SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## Sacramento City USD Board Policy Uniform Complaint Procedures

### BP 1312.3 Community Relations

The Governing Board recognizes that the district has the primary responsibility to ensure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations governing educational programs. The Board encourages early resolution of complaints whenever possible. To resolve complaints which may require a more formal process, the Board adopts the uniform system of complaint processes specified in 5 CCR 4600-4670 and the accompanying administrative regulation.

The district's uniform complaint procedures (UCP) shall be used to investigate and resolve the following complaints:

1. Any complaint alleging district violation of applicable state or federal law or regulations governing adult education programs, after school education and safety programs, agricultural vocational education, American Indian education centers and early childhood education program assessments, bilingual education, peer assistance and review programs for teachers migrant education, career technical and technical education and training programs, child care and development programs, child nutrition programs, special education programs, consolidated categorical aid programs, compensatory education, Economic Impact Aid, English learner programs, federal education programs in Title I-VII, migrant education, Regional Occupational Centers and Programs, school safety plans, special education programs, State Preschool Programs, Tobacco-Use Prevention Education programs, Every Student Succeeds Act / No Child Left Behind, tobacco - use prevention education, Agricultural Vocational Education,

American Indian Education Centers and Early Childhood Education Program Assessments, Bilingual Education, California peer assistance and review programs for teachers, Career technical and technical education, career technical and technical training, Career technical education, Economic impact aid, School Safety Plans, State Preschool, and any other district-implemented program which is listed in Education Code 64000(a) (5-CCR 4610).\_

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)

(cf. 5141.4 - Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting)

- (cf. 5148 Child Care and Development)
- (cf. 5148.2 Before/After School Programs)
- (cf. 6159 Individualized Education Program)
- (cf. 6171 Title I Programs)
- (cf. 6174 Education for English Language Learners)
- (cf. 6175 Migrant Education Program)
- (cf. 6178 Career Technical Education)
- (cf. 6178.1 Work-Based Learning)
- (cf. 6178.2 Regional Occupational Center/Program)
- (cf. 6200 Adult Education)
- 2. Any complaint alleging the occurrence of unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment,

intimidation, or bullying) against any student, employee, or other person participating in district programs and activities, including, but not limited to, those programs or activities funded directly by or that receive or benefit from any state financial assistance, based on the person's actual or perceived characteristics of race or ethnicity, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, <u>immigration status</u>, ethnic group identification, age, religion, marital <u>status</u>, pregnancy, or parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information, or any other characteristic identified in Education Code 200 or 220, Government Code 11135, or Penal Code 422.55, or based on his/her association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics (5 CCR 4610)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

3. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the requirement to provide reasonable accommodation to a lactating student on school campus to express breast milk, breastfeed an infant child, or address other breastfeeding-related needs of the student (Education Code 222)

(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)

4. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the prohibition against requiring students to pay fees, deposits, or other charges for participation in educational activities (5 CCR 4610)

(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)(cf. 3320 - Claims and Actions Against the District)

5. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with legal requirements related to the implementation of the local control and accountability plan (Education Code 52075)

If the district finds merit in pupil fees, LCAP, and/or a Course Period without Educational Content complaint, the district shall provide a remedy. Specifically, in Course Period without Education Content the remedy shall go to the affected pupil. In LCAP and pupil fee complaints, the remedy shall go to all affected pupils, parents and guardians, which in the case of pupil fees, also includes reasonable efforts by the district to ensure full reimbursement to all affected pupils, parents and guardians subject to procedures established through regulations adopted by the Board.

(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)

6. Any complaint, by or on behalf of any student who is a foster youth, alleging district noncompliance with any legal requirement applicable to the student regarding placement decisions, the responsibilities of the district's educational liaison to the student, the award of credit for coursework satisfactorily completed in another school or district, school transfer, or the grant of an exemption from Board-imposed graduation requirements (Education Code 48853, 48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2)

(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

7. Any complaint, by or on behalf of a homeless student as defined in 42 USC 11434a, <u>a former juvenile</u> court school student, or a child of a military family as defined in Education Code 49701 who transfers into the <u>district after his/her second year of high school</u>, alleging district noncompliance with any requirement applicable to the student regarding the award of credit for coursework satisfactorily completed in another school

or district or the grant of an exemption from Board-imposed graduation requirements (Education Code 51225.1, 51225.2)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)

8. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the requirements of Education Code 51228.1 and 51228.2 that prohibit the assignment of a student in grades 9-12 to a course without educational content for more than one week in any semester or to a course the student has previously satisfactorily completed, without meeting specified conditions- (Education Code 51228.3)

#### (cf. 6152 Class Assignment)

9. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the physical education instructional minutes requirement for students in elementary school (Education Code 51210, 51223)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)

10. Any complaint alleging retaliation against a complainant or other participant in the complaint process or anyone who has acted to uncover or report a violation subject to this policy

11. Any other complaint as specified in a district policy

The Board recognizes that alternative dispute resolution (ADR) can, depending on the nature of the allegations, offer a process to reach a resolution to the complaint that is acceptable to all parties. ADR such as mediation may be offered to resolve complaints that involve more than one student and no adult. However, mediation shall not be offered or used to resolve any complaint involving sexual assault or where there is a reasonable risk that a party to the mediation would feel compelled to participate. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the use of ADR is consistent with state and federal laws and regulations.

The district shall protect all complainants from retaliation. In investigating complaints, the confidentiality of the parties involved shall be protected as required by law. As appropriate for any complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the Superintendent or designee shall keep confidential the identity of the complainant and/or the subject of the complaint if he/she is different from the complainant, as long as the integrity of the complaint process is maintained.

(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 9011 - Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information)

When an allegation that is not subject to the UCP is included in a UCP complaint, the district shall refer the non-UCP allegation to the appropriate staff or agency and shall investigate and, if appropriate, resolve the UCP-related allegation(s) through the district's UCP.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training to district staff to ensure awareness and knowledge of

current law and related requirements, including the steps and timelines specified in this policy and the accompanying administrative regulation.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development) (cf. 4231 - Staff Development) (cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records of all UCP complaints and the investigations of those complaints in accordance with applicable law and district policy.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Non-UCP Complaints

The following complaints shall not be subject to the district's UCP but shall be referred to the specified agency: (5 CCR 4611)

1. Any complaint alleging child abuse or neglect shall be referred to the County Department of Social Services, the County Protective Services Division, and the appropriate law enforcement agency.

2. Any complaint alleging health and safety violations by a child development program shall, for licensed facilities, be referred to Department of Social Services and shall, for licensing-exempt facilities, be referred to the appropriate Child Development regional administrator.

3. Any complaint alleging employment discrimination shall be sent to the California Department of Fair-Employment and Housing and the compliance officer shall notify the complainant by first class mail of the transfer.

<u>34.</u> Any complaint alleging fraud shall be referred to the California Department of Education.

Any complaint alleging employment discrimination or harassment shall be investigated and resolved by the district in accordance with the procedures specified in AR 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment.

In addition, the district's Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures, AR 1312.4, shall be used to investigate and resolve any complaint related to sufficiency of textbooks or instructional materials, emergency or urgent facilities conditions that pose a threat to the health or safety of students or staff, or teacher vacancies and misassignments. (Education Code 35186)

(cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination 8200-8498 Child care and development programs 8500-8538 Adult basic education 18100-18203 School libraries 32289 School safety plan, uniform complaint procedures 35186 Williams uniform complaint procedures 48985 Notices in language other than English 49010-49013 Student fees 49060-49079 Student records 49490-49590 Child nutrition programs 49701 Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children 51210 Courses of study grades 1-6 51223 Physical education, elementary schools 51225.1-51225.2 Foster youth, homeless children, and former juvenile court school students, and military-connected students; course credits; graduation requirements 51226-51226.1 Career technical education 51228.1-51228.3 Course periods without educational content 52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan, especially 52075 Complaint for lack of compliance with local control and accountability plan requirements 52160-52178 Bilingual education programs 52300-52490 Career technical education 52500-52616.24 Adult schools 52800-52870 School-based program coordination 54400-54425 Compensatory education programs 54440-54445 Migrant education 54460-54529 Compensatory education programs 56000-56867 Special education programs 59000-59300 Special schools and centers 64000-64001 Consolidated application process GOVERNMENT CODE 11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state 12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act PENAL CODE 422.55 Hate crime; definition 422.6 Interference with constitutional right or privilege CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 3080 Application of section 4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures 4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs 7301-7372 Title V rural and low-income school programs 12101-12213 Title II equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29 794 Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973 **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20** 1221 Application of laws 1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act 1681-1688 Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 6301-6577 Title I basic programs 6801-6871 Title III language instruction for limited English proficient and immigrant students 7101-7184 Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act 7201-7283g Title V promoting informed parental choice and innovative programs **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42** 2000d-2000e-17 Title VI and Title VII Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended 2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 6101-6107 Age Discrimination Act of 1975 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28

35.107 Nondiscrimination on basis of disability; complaints

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy

100.3 Prohibition of discrimination on basis of race, color or national origin

104.7 Designation of responsible employee for Section 504

106.8 Designation of responsible employee for Title IX

106.9 Notification of nondiscrimination on basis of sex

110.25 Notification of nondiscrimination on the basis of age

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

Sample UCP Board Policies and Procedures

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Dear Colleague Letter: Title IX Coordinators, April 2015

Questions and Answers on Title IX and Sexual Violence, April 2014

Dear Colleague Letter: Bullying of Students with Disabilities, August 2013

Dear Colleague Letter: Sexual Violence, April 2011

Dear Colleague Letter: Harassment and Bullying, October 2010

Revised Sexual Harassment Guidance: Harassment of Students by School Employees, Other Students, or Third Parties, January 2001

WEB SITES

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov

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

#### Policy SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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# Sacramento City USD Board Policy

Admission

BP 5111 Students

The Governing Board believes that all children should have the opportunity to receive educational services. Staff shall encourage parents/guardians to enroll all school-aged children in school. The Superintendent or designee shall inform parents/guardians of children seeking admission to a district school at any grade level about admission requirements and shall assist them with enrollment procedures.

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)

- (cf. 5111.11 Residency of Students with Caregiver)
- (cf. 5111.12 Residency Based on Parent/Guardian Employment)
- (cf. 5111.13 Residency for Homeless Children)
- (cf. 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment)
- (cf. 5117 Interdistrict Attendance)
- (cf. 5119 Students Expelled from Other Districts)
- (cf. 5141.22 Infectious Diseases)
- (cf. 5141.3 Health Examinations)
- (cf. 5141.31 Immunizations)

The Superintendent or designee may admit to the ninth grade only those students who have graduated from eighth grade or who are recommended in writing by their eighth grade principal as capable of profiting from high school instruction.

All appropriate staff shall receive training on district admission policies and procedures, including information regarding the types of documentation that can and cannot be requested.

The district's enrollment application shall include information about the health care options and enrollment assistance available to families within the district. The district shall not discriminate against any child for not having health care coverage and shall not use any information relating to a child's health care coverage or his/her interest in learning about health care coverage in any manner that would harm the child or his/her family. (Education Code 49452.9)

Verification of Admission Eligibility

Before enrolling any child in a district school, the Superintendent or designee shall verify the child's age, residency, immunization, and other applicable eligibility criteria specified in law, the accompanying administrative regulation, or other applicable Board policy or administrative regulation.

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency) (cf. 5125 - Student Records) (cf. 5141.3 - Health Examinations) (cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations) (cf. 5141.32 - Health Screening for School Entry)

The district shall not inquire into or request documentation of a student's social security number or the last four digits of the social security number or the citizenship or immigration status of the student or his/her family members. (Education Code 234.7, 49076.7),

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities) (cf. 5145.13 - Response to Immigration Enforcement) (cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

However, such information may be collected when required by state or federal law or to comply with requirements for special state or federal programs. In any such situation, the information shall be collected separately from the school enrollment process and the Superintendent or designee shall explain the limited purpose for which the information is collected. Enrollment in a district school shall not be denied on the basis of any such information of the student or his/her parents/guardians obtained by the district, or the student's or parent/guardian's refusal to provide such information to the district.

School registration information shall list all possible means of documenting a child's age for grades K-1 as authorized by Education Code 48002 or otherwise prescribed by the Board. Any alternative document allowed by the district shall be one that all persons can obtain regardless of immigration status, citizenship status, or national origin and shall not reveal information related to citizenship or immigrant status.

The Superintendent or designee shall immediately enroll ensure that the enrollment of a homeless student, foster youth, student who has had contact with the juvenile justice system, or a child of a military family regardless of outstanding fees or fines owed to the child's student's last school, lack of clothing normally required by the school, such as school uniforms, or for his/her inability to produce previous academic, medical, or other records normally required for enrollment. (Education Code 48645.5, 48850, 48852.7, 48853.5, 49701; 42 USC 11432)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children) (cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth) Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

234.7 Student protections relating to immigration and citizenship status 46600 Agreements for admission of pupils desiring interdistrict attendance 48000 Minimum age of admission (kindergarten) 48002 Evidence of minimum age required to enter kindergarten or first grade 48010 Minimum age of admission (first grade) 48011 Admission from kindergarten or other school; minimum age 48050-48053 Nonresidents 48200 Children between ages of 6 and 18 years (compulsory full-time education) 49076 Access to records by persons without written consent or under judicial order 49408 Information of use in emergencies 48645.5 Enrollment of former juvenile court school students 48850-48859 Educational placement of homeless and foster vouth 48645.5 Enrollment of former juvenile court school students 49076.7 Student records; data privacy; social security numbers 49452.9 Health care coverage options and enrollment assistance 49700-49704 49703 Education of children of military families HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE 120325-120380 Education and child care facility immunization requirements 121475-121520 Tuberculosis tests for pupils CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 200 Promotion from kindergarten to first grade 201 Admission to high school CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 17 6000-6075 School attendance immunization requirements **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42** 11431-11435 McKinney Homeless Assistance Act Management Resources: CDE MANAGEMENT ADVISORIES 0900.90 Changes in law concerning eligibility for admission to kindergarten

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# Sacramento City USD Board Policy

**District Residency** 

BP 5111.1 **Students** 

The Governing Board desires to admit all students who reside within district boundaries or who fulfill the district residency requirements through other means as allowed by law. The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures to facilitate the receipt and verification of students' proof of residency.

(cf. 5116 - School Attendance Boundaries)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify parents/guardians of all existing attendance options available in the district, including, but not limited to, all options for meeting residency requirements for school attendance. (Education Code 48980)

(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment) (cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance) (cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

The Superintendent or designee shall require parents/guardians to provide documentation of the student's residency upon admission to a district school. A copy of the document or written statement offered as verification of residency shall be maintained in the student's mandatory permanent record. (5 CCR 432)

(cf. 5111 - Admission) (cf. 5125 - Student Records)

When establishing a student's residency for enrollment purposes, the Superintendent or designee shall not inquire into <u>the a student's</u> citizenship or immigration status <u>of a student or their family members</u>. No student seeking residency shall be denied enrollment based on race, religion, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, parental income, scholastic achievement, or any of the individual characteristics set forth in Education Code 220.

A student's enrollment may be denied when the submitted documentation is insufficient to establish district residency. In any such case, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parent/guardian in writing, including specific reasons for the denial.

Investigation of Residency

When the Superintendent or designee reasonably believes that a student's parent/guardian has provided false or unreliable evidence of residency, he/she may make reasonable efforts to determine that the student meets district residency requirements. An investigation may be initiated when the Superintendent or designee is able to identify specific, articulable facts supporting the belief that the parent/guardian has provided false or unreliable evidence of residency. (Education Code 48204.1, 48204.2)

The Superintendent or designee may assign a trained district employee to conduct the investigation. The investigation may include the examination of records, including public records, and/or interviews of persons who may have knowledge of the student's residency.

The investigation shall not include the surreptitious collection of photographic or videographic images of persons or places subject to the investigation. However, the use of technology is not prohibited if done in open and public view. (Education Code 48204.2)

Any employee engaged in the investigation shall truthfully identify himself/herself as an investigator to individuals contacted or interviewed during the course of the investigation. (Education Code 48204.2)

Appeal of Enrollment Denial

If the Superintendent or designee, upon investigation, determines that a student does not meet district residency requirements and denies the student's enrollment in the district, he/she shall provide the student's parent/guardian an opportunity to appeal that determination. (Education Code 48204.2)

The Superintendent or designee shall send the student's parent/guardian written notice specifying the basis for the district's determination. This notice shall also inform the parent/guardian that he/she may, within 10 school days, appeal the decision and provide new evidence of residency.

The burden shall be on the parent/guardian to show why the district's determination to deny enrollment should be overruled. (Education Code 48204.2)

A student who is currently enrolled in the district shall be allowed to remain in attendance at his/her school pending the results of the appeal. A student who is not currently enrolled in the district shall not be permitted to attend any district school unless his/her appeal is successful.

In an appeal to the Superintendent's designee of a determination that district residency requirements were not met, the Superintendent's designee shall review any evidence provided by the parent/guardian or obtained during the district's investigation and shall make a decision within 10 school days of receipt of the parent/guardian's request for the appeal. The Superintendent's designee's decision shall be final.

Enrollment Not Requiring District Residency

When approved by the Board and the appropriate agency, the district may enroll students from other countries who are in the United States on an F-1 visa or are participating in an international exchange program under the sponsorship of a government-approved agency.

(cf. 5111.2 - Nonresident Foreign Students) (cf. 6145.6 - International Exchange)

The district may enroll a nonresident student living in an adjoining state or foreign country in accordance with Education Code 48050-48052.

District residency is not required for enrollment in a regional occupational center or program if there are openings in the program or class. (Education Code 52317)

(cf. 6178.2 - Regional Occupational Center/Program)

Legal Reference:

#### EDUCATION CODE

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# Sacramento City USD Board Policy

Student Records

BP 5125 Students

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of keeping accurate, comprehensive student records as required by law. Procedures for maintaining the confidentiality of student records shall be consistent with state and federal law.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish regulations for Board approval governing the identification, description and security of student records, as well as timely access for authorized persons. These regulations shall ensure parental rights to review, inspect and photocopy student records and shall protect the student and the student's family from invasion of privacy.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)
(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)
(cf. 5125.2 - Withholding Grades, Diploma or Transcripts)
(cf. 5125.3 - Challenging Student Records)

All appropriate personnel shall receive training regarding district policies and procedures for gathering and handling sensitive student information.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development) (cf. 4231 - Staff Development) (cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The district shall not collect or solicit social security numbers or the last four digits of social security numbers of students or their parents/guardians, unless otherwise required to do so by state or federal law. (Education Code 49076.7)

No information or documents regarding the citizenship or immigration status of students or their family members shall be collected, except as required by state or federal law or as required to administer a state or federally supported educational program. The Superintendent or designee shall not disclose student records to a person, agency, or organization for immigration enforcement purposes without parental consent, a court order, or judicial subpoena. If a district employee receives such a request, he/she shall immediately report the request to the Superintendent, consistent with District Policy 5145.13. The Superintendent shall report the request to the Board in a timely manner that ensures the confidentiality and privacy of any potentially identifying information. (Education Code 234.7)

(cf. 5145.13 - Response to Immigration Enforcement)

The Superintendent or designee shall not compile a list, registry, or database based on students' national origin, ethnicity, or religious belief, practice, or affliation, nor shall he/she disclose student information to federal government authorities for the purpose of compiling such a list, registry, or database for purposes of immigration enforcement. Such information may only be compiled or exchanged with other local, state, or

#### Custodian of Records

The Superintendent or designee shall designate a certificated employee to serve as custodian of records, with responsibility for student records at the district level. At each school, the principal or a certificated designee shall act as custodian of records for students enrolled. The custodian of records shall be responsible for implementing the Board policy and administrative regulation regarding student records. (5CCR 431)

Contract for Digital Storage, Management, and Retrieval of Student Records

The Superintendent or designee may enter into a contract with a third party for the digital storage, management, and retrieval of student records and/or to authorize a third party provider of digital software to access, store, and use student records, provided that the contract meets the requirements of Education Code 49073.1 and other applicable state and federal laws.

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 234.7 Student protections relating to immigration and citizenship status 17604 Contracts 48201 Student records for transfer students who have been suspended/expelled 48853.5 Foster youth; placement, immunizations 48902 Notification of law enforcement of specified violations 48904-48904.3 Withholding grades, diplomas, or transcripts 48918 Rules governing expulsion procedures 48980 Parental notifications 48985 Notices in parent/guardian's primary language 49060-49079 Student records 49091.14 Parental review of curriculum 51747 Independent study 56041.5 Rights of students with disabilities 56050 Surrogate parents 56055 Foster parents 69432.9 Cal Grant program; notification of grade point average **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE** 22580-22582 Digital privacy 22584-22585 Student Online Personal Information Protection Act 22586-22587 Early Learning Personal Information Protection Act CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 1985.3 Subpoena duces tecum FAMILY CODE 3025 Access to records by noncustodial parents 6552 Caregiver's authorization affidavit GOVERNMENT CODE 6252-6260 Inspection of public records HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE 120440 Immunizations; disclosure of information PENAL CODE

245 Assault with deadly weapon WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE 681 Truancy petitions 701 Juvenile court law 16010 Health and education records of a minor CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 430-438 Individual student records 16020-16027 Destruction of records of school districts **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20** 1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act 1232h Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment **UNITED STATES CODE. TITLE 26** 152 Definition of dependent child **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42** 11434a McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act; definitions CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 16 Part 312 Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34 99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy 300.501 Opportunity to examine records for parents of student with disability Management Resources: FEDERAL REGISTER Final Rule and Analysis of Comments and Changes, Family Educational Rights and Privacy, December 9, 2008, Vol. 73, No. 237, pages 74806-74855 NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION PUBLICATIONS Data in the Cloud: A Legal and Policy Guide for School Boards on Student Data Privacy in the Cloud Computing Era, April 2014 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS Joint Guidance on the Application of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) to Student Health Records, 2008 Balancing Student Privacy and School Safety: A Guide to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act for Elementary and Secondary Schools, October 2007

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# Sacramento City USD Board Policy

Nondiscrimination/Harassment

#### BP 5145.3 **Students**

The Governing Board desires to provide a safe school environment that allows all students equal access and opportunities in the district's academic and other educational support programs, services, and activities. The Board prohibits, at any district school or school activity, unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying of any student based on the student's actual or perceived race, color, ancestry, national origin, nationality, immigration status, ethnicity, ethnic group identification, age, religion, family, marital or parental status, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or gender expression, genetic information, –or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

This policy shall apply to all acts related to school activity or to school attendance occurring within a district school. (Education Code 234.1)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

- (cf. 5131 Conduct)
- (cf. 5131.2 Bullying)

(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)

- (cf. 5145.9 Hate-Motivated Behavior)
- (cf. 5146 Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)
- (cf. 6164.6 Identification and Education Under Section 504)

Unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying, includes physical, verbal, nonverbal, or written conduct based on any of the categories listed above. Unlawful discrimination also shall include the creation of a hostile environment when the prohibited conduct is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it affects a student's ability to participate in or benefit from an educational program or activity; creates an intimidating, threatening, hostile, or offensive educational environment; has the effect of substantially or unreasonably interfering with a student's academic performance; or otherwise adversely affects a student's educational opportunities.

Unlawful discrimination also includes disparate treatment of students based on one of the categories above with respect to the provision of opportunities to participate in school programs or activities or the provision or receipt of educational benefits or services.

The Board also prohibits any form of retaliation against any individual who files or otherwise participates in the filing or investigation of a complaint or report regarding an incident of

discrimination. Retaliation complaints shall be investigated and resolved in the same manner as a discrimination complaint.

The Superintendent or designee shall facilitate students' access to the educational program by publicizing the district's nondiscrimination policy and related complaint procedures to students, parents/guardians, and employees. He/she shall provide training and information on the scope and use of the policy and complaint procedures and take other measures designed to increase the school community's understanding of the requirements of law related to discrimination. The Superintendent or designee shall regularly review the implementation of the district's nondiscrimination policies and practices and, as necessary, shall take action to remove any identified barrier to student access to or participation in the educational program. He/she shall report his/her findings and recommendations to the Board after each review.

- (cf. 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures)
- (cf. 1330 Use of Facilities)
- (cf. 4131 Staff Development)
- (cf. 4231 Staff Development)
- (cf. 4331 Staff Development)
- (cf. 6145 Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
- (cf. 6145.2 Athletic Competition)
- (cf. 6164.2 Guidance/Counseling Services)

Students who engage in unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, in violation of law, Board policy, or administrative regulation shall be subject to appropriate consequence or discipline, which may include suspension or expulsion for behavior that is severe or pervasive as defined in Education Code 48900.4. Any employee who permits or engages in prohibited discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

School staff and volunteers shall carefully guard against segregation, bias, and stereotyping in instruction, guidance, and supervision.

District personnel shall take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so when he or she witnesses an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying. The District will investigate all allegations of discrimination and implement effective corrective actions when appropriate pursuant to Administrative Regulation 5143.3.

(cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

- (cf. 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21 Professional Standards)
- (cf. 4218 Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
- (cf. 5144 Discipline)
- (cf. 5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
- (cf. 5144.2 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
- (cf. 5145.2 Freedom of Speech/Expression)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex, especially:

221.5 Prohibited sex discrimination

221.7 School-sponsored athletic programs; prohibited sex discrimination

48900.3 Suspension or expulsion for act of hate violence

48900.4 Suspension or expulsion for threats or harassment

48904 Liability of parent/guardian for willful student misconduct

48907 Student exercise of free expression

48950 Freedom of speech

49020-49023 Athletic programs

51006-51007 Equitable access to technological education programs

51500 Prohibited instruction or activity

51501 Prohibited means of instruction

60044 Prohibited instructional materials

CIVIL CODE

1714.1 Liability of parents/guardians for willful misconduct of minor <u>GOVERNMENT CODE</u>

11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state

PENAL CODE

422.55 Definition of hate crime

422.6 Crimes, harassment

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

432 Student record

4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures

4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs

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35.107 Nondiscrimination on basis of disability; complaints

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## Sacramento City USD Board Policy Anti-Bullying

BP 5145.4 Students

The Governing Board desires to provide an orderly, caring and nondiscriminatory learning environment and specifically prohibits acts of harassment or bullying. The Governing Board has determined that a safe and civil environment in school is necessary for students to learn and achieve high academic standards. Harassment or bullying, like other disruptive or violent behaviors, is conduct that disrupts both a student's ability to learn and a school's ability to educate its students in a safe environment. Demonstration of appropriate behavior, treating others with civility and respect, and refusing to tolerate harassment or bullying is expected of administrators, faculty, staff, parents, students and volunteers to provide positive examples for student behavior.

(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District) (cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate) (cf. 5142 - Safety)

Harassment or bullying is any gesture or written, verbal, graphic, physical or electronic act (i.e. including, but not limited to, internet, cell phone, personal digital assistant (PDA), or wireless hand held device) that is reasonably perceived as being motivated either by any actual or perceived characteristic, such as race; color; religion; ancestry; national origin; <u>immigration status</u>, gender; sexual orientation; gender identity and expression; socioeconomic status; academic status; mental, physical, development or sensory disability or impairment; creed; political belief; age; linguistic or language differences; height; weight; marital status; parental status; or by any other distinguishing characteristic; or because of an association with a person who has or is perceived to have one or more of these characteristics. Such behavior is considered harassment or bullying whether it takes place on or off school property, at any school-sponsored function, in a school vehicle, or by students, family members or staff.

Students shall be assured that they need not endure, for any reason, any harassment which impairs the educational environment or a student's emotional well-being at school. Harassment involves unwelcome comments (written or spoken) or conduct which violates an individual's dignity, and/or creates an intimidating, hostile, degrading, humiliating or offensive environment.

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment) (cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

Students shall be assured that they need not endure, for any reason, bullying behavior, including electronic or cyber bullying, which impairs the educational environment or a student's emotional well-being. Bullying is a comprehensive term that describes conduct that meets all of the

following criteria:

\* is directed at one or more persons;

\* substantially interferes with educational opportunities, benefits, or programs of one or more students;

\* adversely affects the ability of a student to participate in or benefit from the school district's educational programs or activities by placing the student in reasonable fear of physical harm or by causing emotional distress;

\* is based on a student's actual or perceived distinguishing characteristic (see above), or is based on an association with another person who has or is perceived to have any of these characteristics;

\* involves an imbalance of power or strength; and

\* involves a pattern of behavior repeated over time

Electronic bullying or cyber bullying is the use of electronic communication technology such as, but not limited to, e-mail, instant messages, text messages, mobile phones, and web sites, to send or post messages or images to embarrass, humiliate, spread rumors, threaten or intimate. Sending sexually explicit images electronically, even consensually, may be considered as distribution of child pornography, and is to be referred to district security and/or law enforcement.

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

- (cf. 5131.1 Bus Conduct)
- (cf. 5131.2 Use of Electronic Signaling Devices)
- (cf. 5131.4 Campus Disturbances)
- (cf. 5145.2 Freedom of Speech/Expression: Publications Code)
- (cf. 5145.9 Hate-Motivated Behavior)

The district prohibits bystander support of harassment or bullying as it can encourage and/or reinforce the behavior. Bystander support may be active actions such as, but not limited to, laughter or calling attention to the situation; or through passive actions such as, but not limited to, watching the situation and doing nothing. Staff should therefore support students who walk away from harassment or bullying when they see the acts occurring, who constructively attempt to stop such acts, or who report the acts to a designated authority.

The Board requires school administrators to develop and implement procedures that ensure both the appropriate consequences and remedial responses to a student or staff member who commits acts of harassment or bullying. Staff should provide services or supports to students who engage in acts of bullying and/or harassment to educate them on the impact of these behaviors on others. Administrators should ensure that appropriate services or supports are provided to students who report being victims of bullying or harassment.

The Board requires the principal and/or the principal's designee at each school to be responsible for receiving complaints alleging violations of this policy. All school employees are required to report alleged violations of this policy to the principal or the principal's

designee. All other members of the school community, including students, parents, volunteers, and visitors, are encouraged to report any act that may be a violation of this policy. Reports may be made anonymously, but formal disciplinary action may not be based solely on the basis of an anonymous report.

The Board requires the principal and/or the principal's designee to be responsible for determining whether an alleged act constitutes a violation of this policy. In so doing, the principal and/or the principal's designee shall conduct a prompt, thorough, and complete investigation of each alleged incident. Depending upon the extent and complexity of the investigation, within a reasonable period of time (approximately one week) after receiving the complaint, the principal or designee shall determine whether or not the student who complained was bullied against and/or harassed

The Board prohibits reprisal or retaliation against any person who reports an act of harassment or bullying. The consequences and appropriate remedial action for a person who engages in reprisal or retaliation shall be determined by the administrator after consideration of the nature, severity, and circumstances of the act.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

The Board requires school officials to annually disseminate the policy to all school staff, students, and parents, along with a statement explaining that it applies to all applicable acts of harassment and bullying whether it takes place on or off school property, electronically, at any school-sponsored function, in a school vehicle, or by students, family members or staff. The chief school administrator shall develop an annual process for discussing the school district policy on harassment and bullying with students and staff.

The school district shall incorporate information regarding the policy against harassment or bullying into each school employee training program and handbook.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development) (cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex, especially: 221.5 Prohibited sex discrimination 221.7 School-sponsored athletic programs; prohibited sex discrimination 32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes 35160 Authority of governing boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

35181 Governing board policy on responsibilities of students 35291 - 35291.5 Rules 48900.3 Suspension or expulsion for act of hate violence 48900.4 Suspension or expulsion for threats or harassment 44806 Duty concerning instruction of students 44807 Duty concerning conduct of students 44810 Willful interference with classroom conduct 44811 Disruption of classwork or extracurricular activities 48900 Grounds for suspension or expulsion 48900(r) Grounds for suspension or expulsion: bullying 48907 Student exercise of free expression 51512 Prohibited use of electronic listening or recording device PENAL CODE 243.5 Assault or battery on school property 311 Child Pornography 403-420 Crimes against the public peace, especially: 415 Fighting; noise; offensive words CIVIL CODE 1714.1 Liability of parents and guardians for willful misconduct of minor CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 300 - 307 Duties of pupils **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42** 2000d-2000e-17 Title VI & VII Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended

2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX, 1972 Education Act Amendments

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## Sacramento City USD Board Policy

Nondiscrimination In District Programs And Activities

### BP 0410 **Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans**

The Governing Board is committed to equal opportunity for all individuals in district programs and activities. District programs and activities shall be free from discrimination based on race, color, ancestry, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, ethnicity, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information; the 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.

(cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)

- (cf. 4032 Reasonable 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. 6145.2 Athletic Competition)
- (cf. 6164.4 Identification of Individuals for Special Education)
- (cf. 6164.6 Identification and Education under Section 504)
- (cf. 6178 Vocational Education)
- (cf. 6200 Adult Education)

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.

(cf. 3540 - Transportation)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)

(cf. 5145.13 - Response to Immigration Enforcement)

District programs and activities shall also 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 barrier that may unlawfully prevent an individual or group in any of the protected categories stated above from accessing district programs and activities, including the use of facilities. 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)

Pursuant to 34 CFR 104.8 and 34 CFR 106.9, the Superintendent or designee shall notify students, parents/guardians, employee organizations and sources of referral and applicants for admission and employment, 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. to these groups and, as applicable, to the public. As appropriate, such The notification shall also be posted on the district's web site and, when available, district-supported social media and shall be posted in district schools and offices, including staff lounges, student government meeting rooms, and other prominent locations as appropriateand shall be posted on the district's web site and, when available be district's web site and, when available be posted on the district's web site and offices.

(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)

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)

An individual filing a complaint of discrimination shall not be subjected to acts of retaliation for the purpose of interfering with any right secured by federal or state law. This includes acts of intimidation, threats, coercion, or discrimination.

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 4031 - Complaints Concerning Discrimination in Employment)
(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 Americans with Disabilities Act 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 site, notetakers, written materials, taped text, and Braille or large print materials. (cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

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 the school-sponsored function, program, or meeting.

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

The individuals identified in AR 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. He/she 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.

Lead Compliance Officer Chief Human Resource Officer 5735 - 47th Avenue Sacramento, CA 95824 (916) 643-7474

Compliance Officer for Claims of Student-to-Student Discrimination or Harassment Director of Student Hearing and Placement 5735 - 47th Avenue Sacramento, CA 95824

#### (916) 643-9425

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination 48980 Parental notification 48985 Notices to parents in language other than English 51007 Legislative intent: state policy GOVERNMENT CODE 8310.3 California Religious Freedom Act 11000 Definitions 11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state 12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act 54953.2 Brown Act compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act PENAL CODE 422.55 Definition of hate crime 422.6 Interference with constitutional right or privilege CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 4600-4670 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: 106.9 Dissemination of policy

Management Resources: CSBA PUBLICATIONS CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PUBLICATIONS Promoting a Safe and Secure Learning Environment for All: Guidance and Model Policies to Assist California's K-12 Schools in Responding to Immigration Issues, April 2018 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 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PUBLICATIONS Examples of Policies and Emerging Practices for Supporting Transgender Students, May 2016 Dear Colleague Letter: Title IX Coordinators, April 2015 Dear Colleague Letter, May 26, 2011 Dear Colleague Letter: Harassment and Bullying, October 2010 Notice of Non-Discrimination, Fact Sheet, August 2010 Dear Colleague Letter: Electronic Book Readers, June 29, 2010 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 WEB SITES CSBA: http://www.csba.org California Department of Education: http://www.cde.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

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## Sacramento City USD Board Policy Uniform Complaint Procedures

### BP 1312.3 Community Relations

The Governing Board recognizes that the district has the primary responsibility to ensure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations governing educational programs. The Board encourages early resolution of complaints whenever possible. To resolve complaints which may require a more formal process, the Board adopts the uniform system of complaint processes specified in 5 CCR 4600-4670 and the accompanying administrative regulation.

The district's uniform complaint procedures (UCP) shall be used to investigate and resolve the following complaints:

1. Any complaint alleging district violation of applicable state or federal law or regulations governing adult education programs, after school education and safety programs, agricultural vocational education, American Indian education centers and early childhood education program assessments, bilingual education, peer assistance and review programs for teachers, career technical and technical education and training programs, child care and development programs, child nutrition programs, , consolidated categorical aid programs, compensatory education, Economic Impact Aid, English learner programs, federal education programs in Title I-VII, migrant education, Regional Occupational Centers and Programs, school safety plans, special education programs, State Preschool Programs, Tobacco-Use Prevention Education programs, and any other district-implemented program which is listed in Education Code 64000(a).

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 3555 - Nutrition Program Compliance)
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(cf. 5148 - Child Care and Development)
(cf. 5148.2 - Before/After School Programs)
(cf. 6159 - Individualized Education Program)
(cf. 6179 - Individualized Education Program)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)
(cf. 6175 - Migrant Education Program)
(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)
(cf. 6178.1 - Work-Based Learning)
(cf. 6178.2 - Regional Occupational Center/Program)
(cf. 6200 - Adult Education)

2. Any complaint alleging the occurrence of unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying) against any student, employee, or other person participating in district programs and activities, including, but not limited to, those programs or activities funded directly by or that receive or benefit from any state financial assistance, based on the person's actual or perceived characteristics of race or ethnicity, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, age, religion, marital status, pregnancy, parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information, or any other characteristic identified in Education Code 200 or 220,

Government Code 11135, or Penal Code 422.55, or based on his/her association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics (5 CCR 4610)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities) (cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment) (cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

3. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the requirement to provide reasonable accommodation to a lactating student on school campus to express breast milk, breastfeed an infant child, or address other breastfeeding-related needs of the student (Education Code 222)

(cf. 5146 - Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)

4. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the prohibition against requiring students to pay fees, deposits, or other charges for participation in educational activities (5 CCR 4610)

(cf. 3260 - Fees and Charges)(cf. 3320 - Claims and Actions Against the District)

5. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with legal requirements related to the implementation of the local control and accountability plan (Education Code 52075)

If the district finds merit in pupil fees, LCAP, and/or a Course Period without Educational Content complaint, the district shall provide a remedy. Specifically, in Course Period without Education Content the remedy shall go to the affected pupil. In LCAP and pupil fee complaints, the remedy shall go to all affected pupils, parents and guardians, which in the case of pupil fees, also includes reasonable efforts by the district to ensure full reimbursement to all affected pupils, parents and guardians subject to procedures established through regulations adopted by the Board.

(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)

6. Any complaint, by or on behalf of any student who is a foster youth, alleging district noncompliance with any legal requirement applicable to the student regarding placement decisions, the responsibilities of the district's educational liaison to the student, the award of credit for coursework satisfactorily completed in another school or district, school transfer, or the grant of an exemption from Board-imposed graduation requirements (Education Code 48853, 48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, 51225.2)

(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

7. Any complaint, by or on behalf of a homeless student as defined in 42 USC 11434a, a former juvenile court school student, or a child of a military family as defined in Education Code 49701 who transfers into the district after his/her second year of high school, alleging district noncompliance with any requirement applicable to the student regarding the award of credit for coursework satisfactorily completed in another school or district or the grant of an exemption from Board-imposed graduation requirements (Education Code 51225.1, 51225.2)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children)

8. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the requirements of Education Code 51228.1 and 51228.2 that prohibit the assignment of a student in grades 9-12 to a course without educational content for more than one week in any semester or to a course the student has previously satisfactorily completed, without meeting specified conditions (Education Code 51228.3)

9. Any complaint alleging district noncompliance with the physical education instructional minutes requirement for students in elementary school (Education Code 51210, 51223)

(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)

10. Any complaint alleging retaliation against a complainant or other participant in the complaint process or anyone who has acted to uncover or report a violation subject to this policy

11. Any other complaint as specified in a district policy

The Board recognizes that alternative dispute resolution (ADR) can, depending on the nature of the allegations, offer a process to reach a resolution to the complaint that is acceptable to all parties. ADR such as mediation may be offered to resolve complaints that involve more than one student and no adult. However, mediation shall not be offered or used to resolve any complaint involving sexual assault or where there is a reasonable risk that a party to the mediation would feel compelled to participate. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that the use of ADR is consistent with state and federal laws and regulations.

The district shall protect all complainants from retaliation. In investigating complaints, the confidentiality of the parties involved shall be protected as required by law. As appropriate for any complaint alleging retaliation or unlawful discrimination (such as discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying), the Superintendent or designee shall keep confidential the identity of the complainant and/or the subject of the complaint if he/she is different from the complainant, as long as the integrity of the complaint process is maintained.

(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 9011 - Disclosure of Confidential/Privileged Information)

When an allegation that is not subject to the UCP is included in a UCP complaint, the district shall refer the non-UCP allegation to the appropriate staff or agency and shall investigate and, if appropriate, resolve the UCP-related allegation(s) through the district's UCP.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide training to district staff to ensure awareness and knowledge of current law and related requirements, including the steps and timelines specified in this policy and the accompanying administrative regulation.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development) (cf. 4231 - Staff Development) (cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The Superintendent or designee shall maintain records of all UCP complaints and the investigations of those

complaints in accordance with applicable law and district policy.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

Non-UCP Complaints

The following complaints shall not be subject to the district's UCP but shall be referred to the specified agency: (5 CCR 4611)

1. Any complaint alleging child abuse or neglect shall be referred to the County Department of Social Services, the County Protective Services Division, and the appropriate law enforcement agency.

2. Any complaint alleging health and safety violations by a child development program shall, for licensed facilities, be referred to Department of Social Services and shall, for licensing-exempt facilities, be referred to the appropriate Child Development regional administrator.

3. Any complaint alleging fraud shall be referred to the California Department of Education.

Any complaint alleging employment discrimination or harassment shall be investigated and resolved by the district in accordance with the procedures specified in AR 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment.

In addition, the district's Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures, AR 1312.4, shall be used to investigate and resolve any complaint related to sufficiency of textbooks or instructional materials, emergency or urgent facilities conditions that pose a threat to the health or safety of students or staff, or teacher vacancies and misassignments. (Education Code 35186)

### (cf. 1312.4 - Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures)

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination 8200-8498 Child care and development programs 8500-8538 Adult basic education 18100-18203 School libraries 32289 School safety plan, uniform complaint procedures 35186 Williams uniform complaint procedures 48985 Notices in language other than English 49010-49013 Student fees 49060-49079 Student records 49490-49590 Child nutrition programs 49701 Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children 51210 Courses of study grades 1-6 51223 Physical education, elementary schools 51225.1-51225.2 Foster youth, homeless children, and former juvenile court school students, and military-connected students; course credits; graduation requirements 51226-51226.1 Career technical education 51228.1-51228.3 Course periods without educational content

52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan, especially 52075 Complaint for lack of compliance with local control and accountability plan requirements 52160-52178 Bilingual education programs 52300-52490 Career technical education 52500-52616.24 Adult schools 52800-52870 School-based program coordination 54400-54425 Compensatory education programs 54440-54445 Migrant education 54460-54529 Compensatory education programs 56000-56867 Special education programs 59000-59300 Special schools and centers 64000-64001 Consolidated application process **GOVERNMENT CODE** 11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state 12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act PENAL CODE 422.55 Hate crime; definition 422.6 Interference with constitutional right or privilege CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 3080 Application of section 4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures 4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs 7301-7372 Title V rural and low-income school programs 12101-12213 Title II equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29** 794 Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973 UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20 1221 Application of laws 1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act 1681-1688 Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 6301-6577 Title I basic programs 6801-6871 Title III language instruction for limited English proficient and immigrant students 7101-7184 Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act 7201-7283g Title V promoting informed parental choice and innovative programs **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42** 2000d-2000e-17 Title VI and Title VII Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended 2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 6101-6107 Age Discrimination Act of 1975 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 28 35.107 Nondiscrimination on basis of disability; complaints CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34 99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy 100.3 Prohibition of discrimination on basis of race, color or national origin 104.7 Designation of responsible employee for Section 504 106.8 Designation of responsible employee for Title IX 106.9 Notification of nondiscrimination on basis of sex 110.25 Notification of nondiscrimination on the basis of age

Management Resources:

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Sample UCP Board Policies and Procedures U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS PUBLICATIONS Dear Colleague Letter: Title IX Coordinators, April 2015

Dear Colleague Letter: Bullying of Students with Disabilities, August 2013 Dear Colleague Letter: Harassment and Bullying, October 2010 Revised Sexual Harassment Guidance: Harassment of Students by School Employees, Other Students, or Third Parties, January 2001 WEB SITES CSBA: http://www.csba.org California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights: http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr

#### Policy SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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# Sacramento City USD Board Policy

Admission

BP 5111 Students

The Governing Board believes that all children should have the opportunity to receive educational services. Staff shall encourage parents/guardians to enroll all school-aged children in school. The Superintendent or designee shall inform parents/guardians of children seeking admission to a district school at any grade level about admission requirements and shall assist them with enrollment procedures.

The Superintendent or designee shall announce and publicize the timeline and process for registration of students at district schools. Applications for intradistrict or interdistrict enrollment shall be subject to the timelines specified in applicable Board policies and administrative regulations.

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)
(cf. 5111.11 - Residency of Students with Caregiver)
(cf. 5111.12 - Residency Based on Parent/Guardian Employment)
(cf. 5111.13 - Residency for Homeless Children)
(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment)
(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance)
(cf. 5119 - Students Expelled from Other Districts)
(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)
(cf. 5141.3 - Health Examinations)

(cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations)

The Superintendent or designee may admit to the ninth grade only those students who have graduated from eighth grade or who are recommended in writing by their eighth grade principal as capable of profiting from high school instruction.

All appropriate staff shall receive training on district admission policies and procedures, including information regarding the types of documentation that can and cannot be requested.

The district's enrollment application shall include information about the health care options and enrollment assistance available to families within the district. The district shall not discriminate against any child for not having health care coverage and shall not use any information relating to a child's health care coverage or his/her interest in learning about health care coverage in any manner that would harm the child or his/her family. (Education Code 49452.9)

Verification of Admission Eligibility

Before enrolling any child in a district school, the Superintendent or designee shall verify the child's age, residency, immunization, and other applicable eligibility criteria specified in law, the accompanying administrative regulation, or other applicable Board policy or administrative regulation.

(cf. 5111.1 - District Residency)
(cf. 5125 - Student Records)
(cf. 5141.3 - Health Examinations)
(cf. 5141.31 - Immunizations)
(cf. 5141.32 - Health Screening for School Entry)

The district shall not inquire into or request documentation of a student's social security number or the last four digits of the social security number or the citizenship or immigration status of the student or his/her family members. (Education Code 234.7, 49076.7),

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)(cf. 5145.13 - Response to Immigration Enforcement)(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

However, such information may be collected when required by state or federal law or to comply with requirements for special state or federal programs. In any such situation, the information shall be collected separately from the school enrollment process and the Superintendent or designee shall explain the limited purpose for which the information is collected. Enrollment in a district school shall not be denied on the basis of any such information of the student or his/her parents/guardians obtained by the district, or the student's or parent/guardian's refusal to provide such information to the district.

School registration information shall list all possible means of documenting a child's age for grades K-1 as authorized by Education Code 48002 or otherwise prescribed by the Board. Any alternative document allowed by the district shall be one that all persons can obtain regardless of immigration status, citizenship status, or national origin and shall not reveal information related to citizenship or immigrant status.

The Superintendent or designee shall immediately enroll ensure that the enrollment of a homeless student, foster youth, student who has had contact with the juvenile justice system, or a child of a military family regardless of outstanding fees or fines owed to the child's student's last school, lack of clothing normally required by the school, such as school uniforms, or for his/her inability to produce previous academic, medical, or other records normally required for enrollment. (Education Code 48645.5, 48850, 48852.7, 48853.5, 49701; 42 USC 11432)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children) (cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 234.7 Student protections relating to immigration and citizenship status 46600 Agreements for admission of pupils desiring interdistrict attendance 48000 Minimum age of admission (kindergarten) 48002 Evidence of minimum age required to enter kindergarten or first grade 48010 Minimum age of admission (first grade) 48011 Admission from kindergarten or other school; minimum age 48050-48053 Nonresidents 48200 Children between ages of 6 and 18 years (compulsory full-time education) 49076 Access to records by persons without written consent or under judicial order 49408 Information of use in emergencies 48645.5 Enrollment of former juvenile court school students 48850-48859 Educational placement of homeless and foster youth 48645.5 Enrollment of former juvenile court school students 49076.7 Student records; data privacy; social security numbers 49452.9 Health care coverage options and enrollment assistance 49700-49704 49703 Education of children of military families HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE 120325-120380 Education and child care facility immunization requirements 121475-121520 Tuberculosis tests for pupils CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 200 Promotion from kindergarten to first grade 201 Admission to high school CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 17 6000-6075 School attendance immunization requirements **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42** 11431-11435 McKinney Homeless Assistance Act

Management Resources:

CDE MANAGEMENT ADVISORIES

0900.90 Changes in law concerning eligibility for admission to kindergarten

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### Sacramento City USD Board Policy

**District Residency** 

BP 5111.1 **Students** 

The Governing Board desires to admit all students who reside within district boundaries or who fulfill the district residency requirements through other means as allowed by law. The Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures to facilitate the receipt and verification of students' proof of residency.

(cf. 5116 - School Attendance Boundaries)

The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify parents/guardians of all existing attendance options available in the district, including, but not limited to, all options for meeting residency requirements for school attendance. (Education Code 48980)

(cf. 5116.1 - Intradistrict Open Enrollment) (cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance) (cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

The Superintendent or designee shall require parents/guardians to provide documentation of the student's residency upon admission to a district school. A copy of the document or written statement offered as verification of residency shall be maintained in the student's mandatory permanent record. (5 CCR 432)

(cf. 5111 - Admission) (cf. 5125 - Student Records)

When establishing a student's residency for enrollment purposes, the Superintendent or designee shall not inquire into the citizenship or immigration status of a student or their family members. No student seeking residency shall be denied enrollment based on race, religion, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, parental income, scholastic achievement, or any of the individual characteristics set forth in Education Code 220.

A student's enrollment may be denied when the submitted documentation is insufficient to establish district residency. In any such case, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parent/guardian in writing, including specific reasons for the denial.

Investigation of Residency

When the Superintendent or designee reasonably believes that a student's parent/guardian has provided false or unreliable evidence of residency, he/she may make reasonable efforts to

determine that the student meets district residency requirements. An investigation may be initiated when the Superintendent or designee is able to identify specific, articulable facts supporting the belief that the parent/guardian has provided false or unreliable evidence of residency. (Education Code 48204.1, 48204.2)

The Superintendent or designee may assign a trained district employee to conduct the investigation. The investigation may include the examination of records, including public records, and/or interviews of persons who may have knowledge of the student's residency.

The investigation shall not include the surreptitious collection of photographic or videographic images of persons or places subject to the investigation. However, the use of technology is not prohibited if done in open and public view. (Education Code 48204.2)

Any employee engaged in the investigation shall truthfully identify himself/herself as an investigator to individuals contacted or interviewed during the course of the investigation. (Education Code 48204.2)

Appeal of Enrollment Denial

If the Superintendent or designee, upon investigation, determines that a student does not meet district residency requirements and denies the student's enrollment in the district, he/she shall provide the student's parent/guardian an opportunity to appeal that determination. (Education Code 48204.2)

The Superintendent or designee shall send the student's parent/guardian written notice specifying the basis for the district's determination. This notice shall also inform the parent/guardian that he/she may, within 10 school days, appeal the decision and provide new evidence of residency.

The burden shall be on the parent/guardian to show why the district's determination to deny enrollment should be overruled. (Education Code 48204.2)

A student who is currently enrolled in the district shall be allowed to remain in attendance at his/her school pending the results of the appeal. A student who is not currently enrolled in the district shall not be permitted to attend any district school unless his/her appeal is successful.

In an appeal to the Superintendent's designee of a determination that district residency requirements were not met, the Superintendent's designee shall review any evidence provided by the parent/guardian or obtained during the district's investigation and shall make a decision within 10 school days of receipt of the parent/guardian's request for the appeal. The Superintendent's designee's decision shall be final.

Enrollment Not Requiring District Residency

When approved by the Board and the appropriate agency, the district may enroll students from other countries who are in the United States on an F-1 visa or are participating in an international

exchange program under the sponsorship of a government-approved agency.

(cf. 5111.2 - Nonresident Foreign Students)

(cf. 6145.6 - International Exchange)

The district may enroll a nonresident student living in an adjoining state or foreign country in accordance with Education Code 48050-48052.

District residency is not required for enrollment in a regional occupational center or program if there are openings in the program or class. (Education Code 52317)

(cf. 6178.2 - Regional Occupational Center/Program)

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 220 Prohibition of discrimination 234.7 Student protections relating to immigration and citizenship status 35160.5 Intradistrict open enrollment 35351 Assignment of students to particular schools 46600-46611 Interdistrict attendance permits 48050-48054 Nonresidents 48200-48208 Compulsory education law, especially: 48204 Residency requirements 48204.1-48204.2 Evidence of residency 48300-48316 Student attendance alternatives, school district of choice program 48350-48361 Open Enrollment Act transfers 48852.7 Education of homeless students; immediate enrollment 48853.5 Education of foster youth; immediate enrollment 48980 Notifications at beginning of term 52317 Regional occupational program, admission of persons including nonresidents FAMILY CODE 6550-6552 Caregivers GOVERNMENT CODE 6205-6210 Confidentiality of residence for victims of domestic violence CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 432 Retention of student records **UNITED STATES CODE. TITLE 8** 1229c Immigration and Nationality Act **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42** 11431-11435 McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act COURT DECISIONS Katz v. Los Gatos-Saratoga Joint Union High School District, (2004) 117 Cal.App.4th 47 Plyler v. Doe, 457 U.S. 202 (1982)

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### Sacramento City USD Board Policy Student Records

BP 5125 Students

The Governing Board recognizes the importance of keeping accurate, comprehensive student records as required by law. Procedures for maintaining the confidentiality of student records shall be consistent with state and federal law.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish regulations for Board approval governing the identification, description and security of student records, as well as timely access for authorized persons. These regulations shall ensure parental rights to review, inspect and photocopy student records and shall protect the student and the student's family from invasion of privacy.

(cf. 3580 - District Records)
(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
(cf. 5125.1 - Release of Directory Information)
(cf. 5125.2 - Withholding Grades, Diploma or Transcripts)
(cf. 5125.3 - Challenging Student Records)

All appropriate personnel shall receive training regarding district policies and procedures for gathering and handling sensitive student information.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development) (cf. 4231 - Staff Development) (cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

The district shall not collect or solicit social security numbers or the last four digits of social security numbers of students or their parents/guardians, unless otherwise required to do so by state or federal law. (Education Code 49076.7)

No information or documents regarding the citizenship or immigration status of students or their family members shall be collected, except as required by state or federal law or as required to administer a state or federally supported educational program. The Superintendent or designee shall not disclose student records to a person, agency, or organization for immigration enforcement purposes without parental consent, a court order, or judicial subpoena. If a district employee receives such a request, he/she shall immediately report the request to the Superintendent, consistent with District Policy 5145.13. The Superintendent shall report the request to the Board in a timely manner that ensures the confidentiality and privacy of any potentially identifying information. (Education Code 234.7)

(cf. 5145.13 - Response to Immigration Enforcement)

The Superintendent or designee shall not compile a list, registry, or database based on students' national origin, ethnicity, or religious belief, practice, or affliation, nor shall he/she disclose student information to federal government authorities for the purpose of compiling such a list, registry, or database for purposes of immigration enforcement. Such information may only be compiled or exchanged with other local, state, or federal agencies if the information is aggregated and is not personally identifiable. (Government Code 8310.3)

### Custodian of Records

The Superintendent or designee shall designate a certificated employee to serve as custodian of records, with responsibility for student records at the district level. At each school, the principal or a certificated designee shall act as custodian of records for students enrolled. The custodian of records shall be responsible for implementing the Board policy and administrative regulation regarding student records. (5CCR 431)

Contract for Digital Storage, Management, and Retrieval of Student Records

The Superintendent or designee may enter into a contract with a third party for the digital storage, management, and retrieval of student records and/or to authorize a third party provider of digital software to access, store, and use student records, provided that the contract meets the requirements of Education Code 49073.1 and other applicable state and federal laws.

(cf. 3312 - Contracts)

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 234.7 Student protections relating to immigration and citizenship status 17604 Contracts 48201 Student records for transfer students who have been suspended/expelled 48853.5 Foster youth; placement, immunizations 48902 Notification of law enforcement of specified violations 48904-48904.3 Withholding grades, diplomas, or transcripts 48918 Rules governing expulsion procedures 48980 Parental notifications 48985 Notices in parent/guardian's primary language 49060-49079 Student records 49091.14 Parental review of curriculum 51747 Independent study 56041.5 Rights of students with disabilities 56050 Surrogate parents 56055 Foster parents 69432.9 Cal Grant program; notification of grade point average **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE** 22580-22582 Digital privacy 22584-22585 Student Online Personal Information Protection Act 22586-22587 Early Learning Personal Information Protection Act CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 1985.3 Subpoena duces tecum FAMILY CODE 3025 Access to records by noncustodial parents 6552 Caregiver's authorization affidavit **GOVERNMENT CODE** 6252-6260 Inspection of public records HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE 120440 Immunizations; disclosure of information PENAL CODE 245 Assault with deadly weapon WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

681 Truancy petitions 701 Juvenile court law 16010 Health and education records of a minor CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 430-438 Individual student records 16020-16027 Destruction of records of school districts UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20 1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act 1232h Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 26** 152 Definition of dependent child **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42** 11434a McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act; definitions CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 16 Part 312 Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34 99.1-99.67 Family Educational Rights and Privacy 300.501 Opportunity to examine records for parents of student with disability Management Resources: FEDERAL REGISTER Final Rule and Analysis of Comments and Changes, Family Educational Rights and Privacy, December 9, 2008, Vol. 73, No. 237, pages 74806-74855 NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION PUBLICATIONS Data in the Cloud: A Legal and Policy Guide for School Boards on Student Data Privacy in the Cloud Computing Era, April 2014 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS Joint Guidance on the Application of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) to Student Health Records, 2008 Balancing Student Privacy and School Safety: A Guide to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act for Elementary and Secondary Schools, October 2007 WEB SITES California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov National School Boards Association: http://www.nsba.org U.S. Department of Education, Family Policy Compliance, http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpco

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# Sacramento City USD Board Policy

Nondiscrimination/Harassment

### BP 5145.3 **Students**

The Governing Board desires to provide a safe school environment that allows all students equal access and opportunities in the district's academic and other educational support programs, services, and activities. The Board prohibits, at any district school or school activity, unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying of any student based on the student's actual or perceived race, color, ancestry, national origin, nationality, immigration status, ethnicity, ethnic group identification, age, religion, family, marital or parental status, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or gender expression, genetic information, or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

This policy shall apply to all acts related to school activity or to school attendance occurring within a district school. (Education Code 234.1)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

- (cf. 5131 Conduct)
- (cf. 5131.2 Bullying)

(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)

- (cf. 5145.9 Hate-Motivated Behavior)
- (cf. 5146 Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students)
- (cf. 6164.6 Identification and Education Under Section 504)

Unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying, includes physical, verbal, nonverbal, or written conduct based on any of the categories listed above. Unlawful discrimination also shall include the creation of a hostile environment when the prohibited conduct is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it affects a student's ability to participate in or benefit from an educational program or activity; creates an intimidating, threatening, hostile, or offensive educational environment; has the effect of substantially or unreasonably interfering with a student's academic performance; or otherwise adversely affects a student's educational opportunities.

Unlawful discrimination also includes disparate treatment of students based on one of the categories above with respect to the provision of opportunities to participate in school programs or activities or the provision or receipt of educational benefits or services.

The Board also prohibits any form of retaliation against any individual who files or otherwise participates in the filing or investigation of a complaint or report regarding an incident of

discrimination. Retaliation complaints shall be investigated and resolved in the same manner as a discrimination complaint.

The Superintendent or designee shall facilitate students' access to the educational program by publicizing the district's nondiscrimination policy and related complaint procedures to students, parents/guardians, and employees. He/she shall provide training and information on the scope and use of the policy and complaint procedures and take other measures designed to increase the school community's understanding of the requirements of law related to discrimination. The Superintendent or designee shall regularly review the implementation of the district's nondiscrimination policies and practices and, as necessary, shall take action to remove any identified barrier to student access to or participation in the educational program. He/she shall report his/her findings and recommendations to the Board after each review.

- (cf. 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures)
- (cf. 1330 Use of Facilities)
- (cf. 4131 Staff Development)
- (cf. 4231 Staff Development)
- (cf. 4331 Staff Development)
- (cf. 6145 Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
- (cf. 6145.2 Athletic Competition)
- (cf. 6164.2 Guidance/Counseling Services)

Students who engage in unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, in violation of law, Board policy, or administrative regulation shall be subject to appropriate consequence or discipline, which may include suspension or expulsion for behavior that is severe or pervasive as defined in Education Code 48900.4. Any employee who permits or engages in prohibited discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying, shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

School staff and volunteers shall carefully guard against segregation, bias, and stereotyping in instruction, guidance, and supervision.

District personnel shall take immediate steps to intervene when safe to do so when he or she witnesses an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation, retaliation, or bullying. The District will investigate all allegations of discrimination and implement effective corrective actions when appropriate pursuant to Administrative Regulation 5143.3.

(cf. 4118 - Suspension/Disciplinary Action)

- (cf. 4119.21/4219.21/4319.21 Professional Standards)
- (cf. 4218 Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action)
- (cf. 5144 Discipline)
- (cf. 5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process)
- (cf. 5144.2 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
- (cf. 5145.2 Freedom of Speech/Expression)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex, especially:

221.5 Prohibited sex discrimination

221.7 School-sponsored athletic programs; prohibited sex discrimination

48900.3 Suspension or expulsion for act of hate violence

48900.4 Suspension or expulsion for threats or harassment

48904 Liability of parent/guardian for willful student misconduct

48907 Student exercise of free expression

48950 Freedom of speech

49020-49023 Athletic programs

51006-51007 Equitable access to technological education programs

51500 Prohibited instruction or activity

51501 Prohibited means of instruction

60044 Prohibited instructional materials

CIVIL CODE

1714.1 Liability of parents/guardians for willful misconduct of minor

GOVERNMENT CODE

11135 Nondiscrimination in programs or activities funded by state

PENAL CODE

422.55 Definition of hate crime

422.6 Crimes, harassment

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

432 Student record

4600-4687 Uniform complaint procedures

4900-4965 Nondiscrimination in elementary and secondary education programs

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

1681-1688 Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

12101-12213 Title II equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29

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UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

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2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX, 1972 Education Act Amendments

6101-6107 Age Discrimination Act of 1975

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35.107 Nondiscrimination on basis of disability; complaints

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34

100.3a Prohibition of discrimination on basis of race, color or national origin

104.7 Designation of responsible employee for Section 504

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

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### Sacramento City USD Board Policy Anti-Bullying

BP 5145.4 **Students** 

The Governing Board desires to provide an orderly, caring and nondiscriminatory learning environment and specifically prohibits acts of harassment or bullying. The Governing Board has determined that a safe and civil environment in school is necessary for students to learn and achieve high academic standards. Harassment or bullying, like other disruptive or violent behaviors, is conduct that disrupts both a student's ability to learn and a school's ability to educate its students in a safe environment. Demonstration of appropriate behavior, treating others with civility and respect, and refusing to tolerate harassment or bullying is expected of administrators, faculty, staff, parents, students and volunteers to provide positive examples for student behavior.

(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District) (cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate) (cf. 5142 - Safety)

Harassment or bullying is any gesture or written, verbal, graphic, physical or electronic act (i.e. including, but not limited to, internet, cell phone, personal digital assistant (PDA), or wireless hand held device) that is reasonably perceived as being motivated either by any actual or perceived characteristic, such as race; color; religion; ancestry; national origin; immigration status, gender; sexual orientation; gender identity and expression; socioeconomic status; academic status; mental, physical, development or sensory disability or impairment; creed; political belief; age; linguistic or language differences; height; weight; marital status; parental status; or by any other distinguishing characteristic; or because of an association with a person who has or is perceived to have one or more of these characteristics. Such behavior is considered harassment or bullying whether it takes place on or off school property, at any school-sponsored function, in a school vehicle, or by students, family members or staff.

Students shall be assured that they need not endure, for any reason, any harassment which impairs the educational environment or a student's emotional well-being at school. Harassment involves unwelcome comments (written or spoken) or conduct which violates an individual's dignity, and/or creates an intimidating, hostile, degrading, humiliating or offensive environment.

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment) (cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)

Students shall be assured that they need not endure, for any reason, bullying behavior, including electronic or cyber bullying, which impairs the educational environment or a student's emotional well-being. Bullying is a comprehensive term that describes conduct that meets all of the

following criteria:

\* is directed at one or more persons;

\* substantially interferes with educational opportunities, benefits, or programs of one or more students;

\* adversely affects the ability of a student to participate in or benefit from the school district's educational programs or activities by placing the student in reasonable fear of physical harm or by causing emotional distress;

\* is based on a student's actual or perceived distinguishing characteristic (see above), or is based on an association with another person who has or is perceived to have any of these characteristics;

\* involves an imbalance of power or strength; and

\* involves a pattern of behavior repeated over time

Electronic bullying or cyber bullying is the use of electronic communication technology such as, but not limited to, e-mail, instant messages, text messages, mobile phones, and web sites, to send or post messages or images to embarrass, humiliate, spread rumors, threaten or intimate. Sending sexually explicit images electronically, even consensually, may be considered as distribution of child pornography, and is to be referred to district security and/or law enforcement.

(cf. 5131 - Conduct)

- (cf. 5131.1 Bus Conduct)
- (cf. 5131.2 Use of Electronic Signaling Devices)
- (cf. 5131.4 Campus Disturbances)
- (cf. 5145.2 Freedom of Speech/Expression: Publications Code)
- (cf. 5145.9 Hate-Motivated Behavior)

The district prohibits bystander support of harassment or bullying as it can encourage and/or reinforce the behavior. Bystander support may be active actions such as, but not limited to, laughter or calling attention to the situation; or through passive actions such as, but not limited to, watching the situation and doing nothing. Staff should therefore support students who walk away from harassment or bullying when they see the acts occurring, who constructively attempt to stop such acts, or who report the acts to a designated authority.

The Board requires school administrators to develop and implement procedures that ensure both the appropriate consequences and remedial responses to a student or staff member who commits acts of harassment or bullying. Staff should provide services or supports to students who engage in acts of bullying and/or harassment to educate them on the impact of these behaviors on others. Administrators should ensure that appropriate services or supports are provided to students who report being victims of bullying or harassment.

The Board requires the principal and/or the principal's designee at each school to be responsible for receiving complaints alleging violations of this policy. All school employees are required to report alleged violations of this policy to the principal or the principal's

designee. All other members of the school community, including students, parents, volunteers, and visitors, are encouraged to report any act that may be a violation of this policy. Reports may be made anonymously, but formal disciplinary action may not be based solely on the basis of an anonymous report.

The Board requires the principal and/or the principal's designee to be responsible for determining whether an alleged act constitutes a violation of this policy. In so doing, the principal and/or the principal's designee shall conduct a prompt, thorough, and complete investigation of each alleged incident. Depending upon the extent and complexity of the investigation, within a reasonable period of time (approximately one week) after receiving the complaint, the principal or designee shall determine whether or not the student who complained was bullied against and/or harassed

The Board prohibits reprisal or retaliation against any person who reports an act of harassment or bullying. The consequences and appropriate remedial action for a person who engages in reprisal or retaliation shall be determined by the administrator after consideration of the nature, severity, and circumstances of the act.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 1312.1 - Complaints Concerning District Employees)
(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

The Board requires school officials to annually disseminate the policy to all school staff, students, and parents, along with a statement explaining that it applies to all applicable acts of harassment and bullying whether it takes place on or off school property, electronically, at any school-sponsored function, in a school vehicle, or by students, family members or staff. The chief school administrator shall develop an annual process for discussing the school district policy on harassment and bullying with students and staff.

The school district shall incorporate information regarding the policy against harassment or bullying into each school employee training program and handbook.

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development) (cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex, especially: 221.5 Prohibited sex discrimination 221.7 School-sponsored athletic programs; prohibited sex discrimination 32211 Threatened disruption or interference with classes 35160 Authority of governing boards

35160.1 Broad authority of school districts

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