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Students

Concepts and Roles in Student Policies

The focus of the school system is on the learner, the student. The student's educational development toward the school's goals is the central concern of the Board of Education's policies and administrator's regulations.

Each child shall be given equal opportunity. But since children vary widely in capacities, interests, social and economic background, no two can be treated exactly alike if the fullest development of each is to be achieved.

The Board of Education will attempt to erase any limitations of facilities and means that stand in the way of our school's availability to all who wish to learn in this school system.

Discrimination among students applying for admission to or attending our schools with respect to race, color, religious creed, age, **marital status**, **sexual orientation**, national origin, sex, **genetic information**, **gender identity or expression**, or physical disability is prohibited.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-15 Town to Maintain Schools

10-15c Discrimination in Public Schools Prohibited. School Attendance by Five-Year Olds. (as amended by PA 11-55)

10-184 Duties of Parents. (Re: Mandatory Schooling of Children Seven Years of Age and Over and Under Sixteen)

10-186 Duties of Local and Regional Boards of Education Re: School Attendance. Hearings. Appeals to State Board.

10-226a Students of Racial Minorities

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972.

Section 504, U.S. Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. @ 794

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WOODBRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT Woodbridge, Connecticut

Students

Ages of Attendance

According to Connecticut General Statute 10 186, the Board of Education shall provide education for all persons between the ages of five and twenty-one years who have not graduated from a high school or vocational school, except as provided in Connecticut General Statutes 10 233d, as amended by P.A. 81 215. Children, three to five years of age, who have been identified as being in need of special education services shall receive the appropriate services.

Parents and those who have the care of children seven years of age and older and under sixteen years of age are obligated by Connecticut Law to cause any such child to attend public day school or its equivalent, except that if a child is fourteen years of age or older and gainfully employed at home or elsewhere, he/she is not required to attend school.

(cf. 5111 Admission/Placement)

(cf. 5112 Ages of Attendance)

- (cf. 6146 Graduation Requirements)
- Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes 10-12.Towns to maintain schools

IO 15c Discrimination in public schools prohibited. School attendance by five yearolds

10 76a 10 76g re special education

10 184 Duties of parents (re mandatory schooling for children ages five to sixteen, inclusive) as amended by PA 98 243, PA 00 157 and PA 09 6 (September Special Session)

10 186 Duties of local and regional boards of education re school attendance. Hearing. Appeal. (re: schooling for persons between the ages of 5 and 20, inclusive)

10 189 Leaving certificate

10 233a 10 233 f inclusive; re: suspend, expel, removal of pupils

10 233c Suspension of pupils

10 223d Expulsion of pupils

State Board of Education Regulations-

10-76a-1 General Definitions (c)(d)(q)(t)

10-76a-7 Admission of student requiring Special Education