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Increasing Educator Diversity

The New Fairfield Board of Education recognizes the importance of diversity among its educators. It is committed to ensuring effective strategies are implemented to recruit and retain a diverse pool of highly qualified and effective educators who reflect the demographics of our student population and those diverse communities extending beyond our schools' walls.

In accordance with Public Act 23-167, Section 10, the Board directs the Superintendent to develop and submit an Increasing Educator Diversity Plan (the Plan) to the Connecticut State Department of Education (CSDE) on or before March 15, 2024, and comply with all CSDE procedures related to the Public Act. Upon completion of the Plan and prior to its submission, the Board shall approve it. The day, month, and year on which the Plan receives Board approval is required to complete the application.

The Board recognizes the complexity of sustaining the critical efforts to increase educator diversity. To that end, the Board will work within its authority to support planning and implementation tasks, including but not limited to planning team responsibilities, administrator and staff training, recruitment efforts, and data collection.

(cf. 4111 – Recruitment and Selection)

(cf. 4111.1/4211.1 – Affirmative Action: Equal Employment Opportunity)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes
 10-4a (3) Educational interests of state identified.
 10-151 Employment of teachers. Notice and hearing on termination of contract.
 10-153 Discrimination on account of marital status.
 10-220(a) Duties of Boards of Education. (as amended by PA 18-34)
 46a-60 Discriminatory employment practices prohibited.
 PA 16-41 An Act Concerning the Recommendations of the Minority Teacher Recruitment Task Force.
 PA 18-34 An Act Concerning Minority Teacher Recruitment and Retention.
 PA 19-74 An Act Concerning Minority Teacher Recruitment and Retention.
 PA 21-2 June Special Session, Sections 378 & 379.
 PA 23-27 An Act Concerning Transparency in Education, Section 10

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