

**Press Plus Issue #114 Spring 2024
4/19/24 Policy Committee Meeting**

1. ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

_____ CONSENT

_____ 1st READING

_____ STAY IN COMMITTEE

_____ DELETE POLICY

2. POLICY COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE:

**___ Adopt as Presented
(change “revised” & “reviewed” date)**

**___ Adopt with Additional District Edits
(change “revised” & “reviewed” date)**

**___ Not Adopt
(change “reviewed” date)**

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Students

7:10 Equal Educational Opportunities

Equal educational and extracurricular opportunities shall be available for all students without regard to color, race, nationality, religion, sex, sexual orientation, ancestry, age, physical or mental disability, gender identity, status of being homeless, immigration status, order of protection status, actual or potential marital or parental status, including pregnancy. Further, the District will not knowingly enter into agreements with any entity or any individual that discriminates against students on the basis of sex or any other protected status, except that the District remains viewpoint neutral when granting access to school facilities under Board Policy 8:20, *Community Use of School Facilities*. Any student may file a discrimination grievance by using the Board policy 2:260, Uniform Grievance Procedure, or in the case of discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin, Board policy 2:270, Discrimination and Harassment on the Basis of Race, Color, and National Origin Prohibited. [PRESSPlus1](#)

Sex Equity

No student shall, based on sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity be denied equal access to programs, activities, services, or benefits or be limited in the exercise of any right, privilege, advantage, or denied equal access to educational and extracurricular programs and activities.

Any student may file a sex equity complaint by using the Board policy 2:260, Uniform Grievance Procedure. A student may appeal the Board of Education's resolution of the complaint to the North Cook Intermediate Service Center (pursuant to 105 ILCS 5/3-10 of the School Code) and, thereafter, to the State Superintendent of Education (pursuant to 105 ILCS 5/2-3.8 of the School Code).

Administrative Implementation

The Superintendent shall appoint a Nondiscrimination Coordinator, who also serves as the District's Title IX Coordinator. The Superintendent and Building Principal shall use reasonable measures to inform staff members and students of this policy and related grievance procedures.

LEGAL REF.:

[20 U.S.C. §1681](#) et seq., Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; [34 C.F.R. Part 106](#).

29 U.S.C. §791 et seq., Rehabilitation Act of 1973; [34 C.F.R. Part 104](#).

[42 U.S.C. §2000d](#), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; [34 C.F.R. Part 100](#).

[42 U.S.C. §11431](#) et seq., McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

[Good News Club v. Milford Central Sch.](#), 533 U.S. 98 (2001).

[Ill. Constitution, Art. I](#), §18.

[105 ILCS 5/3.25b](#), [5/3.25d\(b\)](#), [5/10-20.12](#), [5/10-20.60](#), [5/10-20.63](#), [5/10-22.5](#), and [5/27-1](#).

[775 ILCS 5/1-101](#) et seq., Illinois Human Rights Act.

[775 ILCS 35/5](#), Religious Freedom Restoration Act.

[23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.240](#) and [Part 200](#).

CROSS REF.: 2:260 (Uniform Grievance Procedure), 2:265 (Title IX ~~Sexual Harassment~~ Grievance Procedure), [2:270 \(Discrimination and Harassment on the Basis of Race, Color, and National Origin Prohibited\)](#), 6:65 (Student Social and Emotional Development), 7:20 (Harassment of Students Prohibited), 7:50 (School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools), 7:60 (Residence), 7:130 (Student Rights and Responsibilities), 7:160 (Student Appearance), 7:180 (Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment), 7:185 (Teen Dating Violence Prohibited), 7:250 (Student Support Services), 7:340 (Student Records), 8:20 (Community Use of School Facilities)

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PRESSPlus Comments

PRESSPlus 1. Updated in response to 105 ILCS 5/22-95 (final citation pending), added by P.A. 103-472, eff. 8-1-24, requiring a board to adopt a policy (or policies) that prohibits discrimination and harassment based on race, color, and national origin, as well as retaliation. **Issue 114, March 2024**