

## **Equal Educational Opportunities**

### **DISCRIMINATION PROHIBITED**

As required by Title IX, the District does not discriminate on the basis of sex regarding admission to the District or in the educational programs or activities operated by the District. Inquiries regarding Title IX Sexual Harassment may be referred to the District Title IX Coordinator (TIXC), the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, or both.<sup>1</sup>

No pupil shall be discriminated against because of age, color, disability<sup>2</sup>, race, national origin, religion, sex, or veteran status.

### **STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

The District shall provide a free, appropriate public education to each qualified student with a disability, as defined by law, within its jurisdiction.

The District shall operate its programs in accordance with the procedures addressing requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Parents of students who have a temporary or permanent disability may request the District supervisor to provide appropriate accommodations necessary for them to participate in instructional and extracurricular activities, as required by law. Students who are at least eighteen (18) years of age may submit their own requests.

### **STUDENT RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES OR POLITICAL EXPRESSION**

The District shall observe the rights of students to voluntarily engage in religious activities. Students may express religious or political viewpoints while at school to the same extent and under the same circumstances as other permitted activities or expression. Consistent with the Constitutions of the United States and the Commonwealth of Kentucky and law, students shall be permitted to engage in these activities and express these viewpoints, provided they do not:

1. Infringe on the rights of the school to:
  - a. Maintain order and discipline;
  - b. Prevent disruption of the educational process; and
  - c. Determine education curriculum;
2. Harass other persons or coerce other persons to participate in the activity; or
3. Otherwise infringe on the rights of other persons.

Student complaints concerning possible violations of their religious rights shall be addressed in keeping with legal requirements. Their complaints shall be directed to the Principal, who shall investigate and take appropriate action within thirty (30) days of receipt of the written notification.

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**REFERENCES:**

<sup>1</sup>34 C.F.R. § 106.8

<sup>2</sup>Bd. of Educ., etc. v. Rowley 102 S.Ct. 3034 (1982)

District special education policy and procedures manual; District 504 procedures

[KRS 157.200](#); [KRS 157.224](#); [KRS 157.230](#); [KRS 157.350](#)

[KRS 158.183](#); [KRS 160.295](#); Age Discrimination Act of 1975

Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Americans with Disabilities Act

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972

Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974

Kentucky Education Technology System (KETS); 28 C.F.R. Section 35.101 et seq.

**RELATED POLICIES:**

03.113; 03.1621; 03.212; 03.2621; 05.11; 08.131; 09.3211; 09.428111

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