

The district is committed to equal opportunity in educational programs, employment, and all access to institutional programs and activities.

The district, and each individual who represents the district, shall provide access to its services, classes, and programs without regard to age, ancestry, color, physical or mental disability, pregnancy, gender, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, medical condition, genetic information, national origin, parental status, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, or because he or she is perceived to have one or more of the foregoing characteristics, or based on association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. In addition to the aforementioned legally protected characteristics, the district also has an interest in nondiscrimination based on additional factors such as accent, citizenship status, economic status, and ethnic group identification even though students or employees could not make a legal claim of discrimination based on these factors.

The superintendent/president shall establish administrative procedures that ensure all members of the college community can present complaints regarding alleged violations of this policy and have their complaints heard in accordance with the Title 5 regulations and those of other agencies that administer state and federal laws regarding nondiscrimination.

No district funds shall ever be used for membership, or for any participation involving financial payment or contribution on behalf of the district or any individual employed by or associated with it, to any private organization whose membership practices are discriminatory on the basis of age, ancestry, color, physical or mental disability, pregnancy, gender, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, medical condition, genetic information, national origin, parental status, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, military or veteran status, or because he or she is perceived to have one or more of the foregoing characteristics, or because of his or her association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

See Administrative Procedure 3410.