## SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Student Nondiscrimination and Sexual Harassment Statement of Policy

## **NOTICE OF STUDENT NONDISCRIMINATION**

San Diego Unified School District is committed to equal opportunity for all individuals in education. District programs and activities shall be free from discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying by reason of the following actual or perceived characteristics: age, ancestry, color, mental or disability, physical ethnicity, ethnic group identification, gender, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, immigration status, marital or parental status, nationality, national origin, actual or perceived sex, sexual orientation, race, religion, or on the basis of a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

Students who violate this policy may be subject to discipline, up to and including expulsion, in accordance with district policy, administrative procedure and state law.

Employees who violate this policy shall be subject to discipline up to and including dismissal. Any disciplinary action shall be in accordance with applicable federal, state and/or collective bargaining agreements.

Reference <u>Administrative Regulation ("AR") 5145.3</u> and <u>Board Policy ("BP") 5145.3</u> for full policies.

## NOTICE OF TITLE IX SEXUAL HARASSMENT COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

The United States Code of Federal Regulations, Title 34, Section 106.8 requires the district to issue the following notification to students at all grade levels and their parents/guardians:

The San Diego Unified School District does not discriminate, nor does it permit discrimination, on the basis of sex in any education program or activity that it operates. The prohibition against discrimination on the basis of sex is required by federal law (20 USC 1681-1688; 34 CFR Part 106) and extends to employment. The District also prohibits retaliation against any student for filing a complaint or exercising any right granted under Title IX.

Title IX requires a school district to take immediate and appropriate action to address any potential Title IX violations that are brought to its attention.

The district has designated and authorized the following employee as the district's Title IX Coordinator to address concerns or inquiries regarding discrimination on the basis of sex, including sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking:

Lynn A. Ryan Title IX Coordinator San Diego Unified School District 4100 Normal Street, Rm 2129 San Diego, CA 92103 (619) 725-7225 Iryan@sandi.net

Any inquiries about the application of Title IX, this notice, and who is protected by Title IX may be referred to the district's Title IX Coordinator, to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights of the U.S. Department of Education or both.

Any individual may report sex discrimination, including sexual harassment, to the Title IX Coordinator or any other school employee at any time, including during non-business hours, by mail, phone, or email. During district business hours, reports may also be made in person.

Upon receiving an allegation of sexual harassment, the Title IX Coordinator will promptly notify the parties, in writing, of the applicable district complaint procedure.

To view an electronic copy of the district's policies and administrative regulations on sexual harassment, including the grievance process that complies with 34 CFR 106.45, please see AR 5145.7 and BP 5145.7, entitled "Sexual Harassment;" and, BP 5145.71, entitled "Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures."

To inspect or obtain a copy of the district's sexual harassment policies and administrative regulations, please contact the Title IX Coordinator. Materials used to train the Title IX Coordinator, investigator(s), decision-maker(s), and any person who facilitates an informal resolution process are also publicly available on the district's web site or at the district office upon request.