## 4220 POLICY - Nondiscrimination in Education

In compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Elliot-Larsen Civil Rights Act and the Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act, it is the policy of Utica Community Schools that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, sex, age, disability, height, weight or marital status be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination during any instructional opportunities, programs, services, job placement assistance, employment or in policies governing student conduct and attendance. Any person suspecting a discriminatory practice should contact the Executive Director of Human Resources at Utica Community Schools, 11303 Greendale, Sterling Heights, MI 48312 or call 586-797-1000.

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Policy

4220 RULES AND REGULATIONS – Grievance Procedures for Title of The Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of The Education Amendment Act of 1972, Section 504 of The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title II of The Americans With Disability Act of 1990, Elliot-Larsen Civil Rights Act, Persons With Disabilities Civil Rights Act

Any person believing that the Utica Community Schools or any part of the school organization has inadequately applied the principles and/or regulations of (1) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, (2) Title IX of the Education Amendment Act of 1972, (3) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (4) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, (5) Title II of the Americans with Disability Act of 1990, the Elliot-Larsen Civil Rights Act, and the Persons With Disabilities Civil Rights Act may bring forward a complaint, which shall be referred to as a grievance to the Executive Director of Human Resources, Utica Community Schools, 11303 Greendale, Sterling Heights, MI 48312, (586) 797-1000.

The person who believes a valid basis for grievance exists shall discuss the grievance informally and on a verbal basis with the building principal or the Executive Director of Human Resources, who shall in turn investigate the complaint and reply with an answer within five (5) business days. If the complainant feels the grievance is not satisfactorily resolved, they may initiate formal procedures according to the following steps:

## Step 1

A written statement of the grievance signed by the complainant shall be submitted to the Executive Director of Human Resources within five (5) business days of receipt of answers to the informal complaint. The Executive Director shall further investigate the matters of grievance and reply in writing to the complainant within five (5) business days.

## Step 2

A complainant wishing to appeal the decision of the Executive Director of Human Resources may submit a signed statement of appeal to the Superintendent of Schools within five (5) business days after receipt of the Executive Director's response. The Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee shall meet with all parties involved, formulate a conclusion, and respond in writing to the complainant within ten (10) business days of this meeting. The Executive Director of Human Resources, on request, will provide the complainant with a copy of the district's grievance procedure and investigate all complaints in accordance with this procedure.

A copy of each of the Acts and the regulations on which this notice is based may be found in the Executive Director of Human Resource's office.

Rules and Regulations

Superintendent of Schools

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