

Medford School District 549C

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3. After the application period has ended, the superintendent or designee will verify applicant eligibility. Applicants must:
 - a. Be an elector of the district.² This requires being registered to vote within the district;
 - b. Have resided in the district for a period of one year immediately preceding the appointment;
 - c. Not be an employee of the district or a charter school located within the district
 - d. The Board will review applicant materials in an open Board meeting;
4. The Board may select applicants to interview. Any interview will be held in an open Board meeting;
5. During an open Board meeting, the Board will vote to appoint one of the applicants. In the event that no applicant receives a majority of votes³, the Board may re-vote or vote to re-open the application period;
6. The newly appointed Board member(s) will take an oath of office before assuming the duties of office and will be seated immediately thereafter.

¹ In accordance with ORS 332.030, the Board shall declare a vacancy upon any of the following:

7. The death or resignation of any Board member;
8. When a Board member is removed from office or the election of the Board member has been declared void by the judgment of any court;
9. When a Board member ceases to be a resident of district;
10. When a Board member ceases to discharge the duties of office for two consecutive months unless prevented by sickness or other unavoidable cause;
11. When a Board member ceases to discharge the duties of office for four consecutive months for any reason; or
12. When a Board member is recalled.

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Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 249.865 - 249.877](#)
[ORS 254.005](#)

[ORS 255.245](#)
[ORS 255.335](#)

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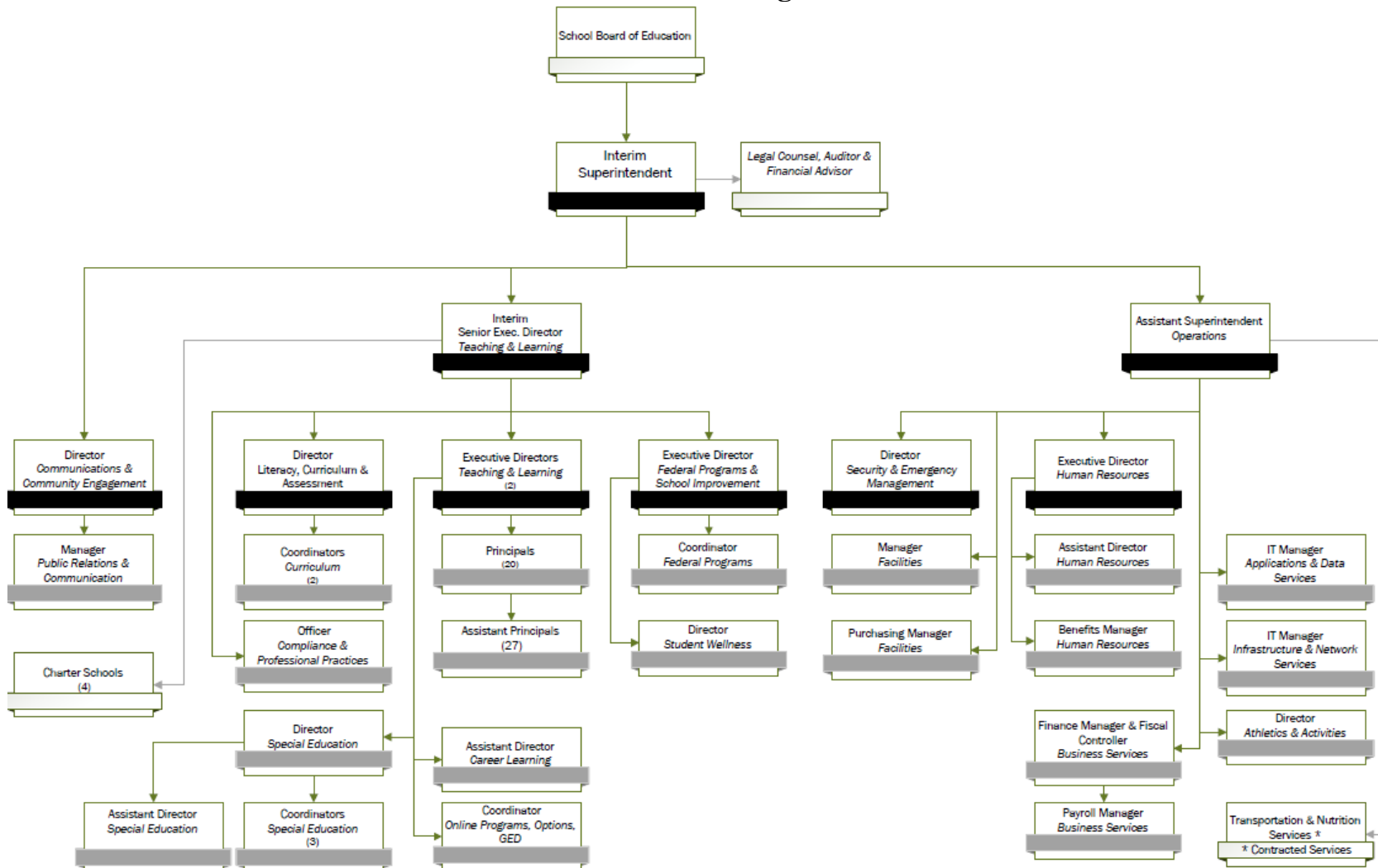
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Medford School District 549C Organizational Structure



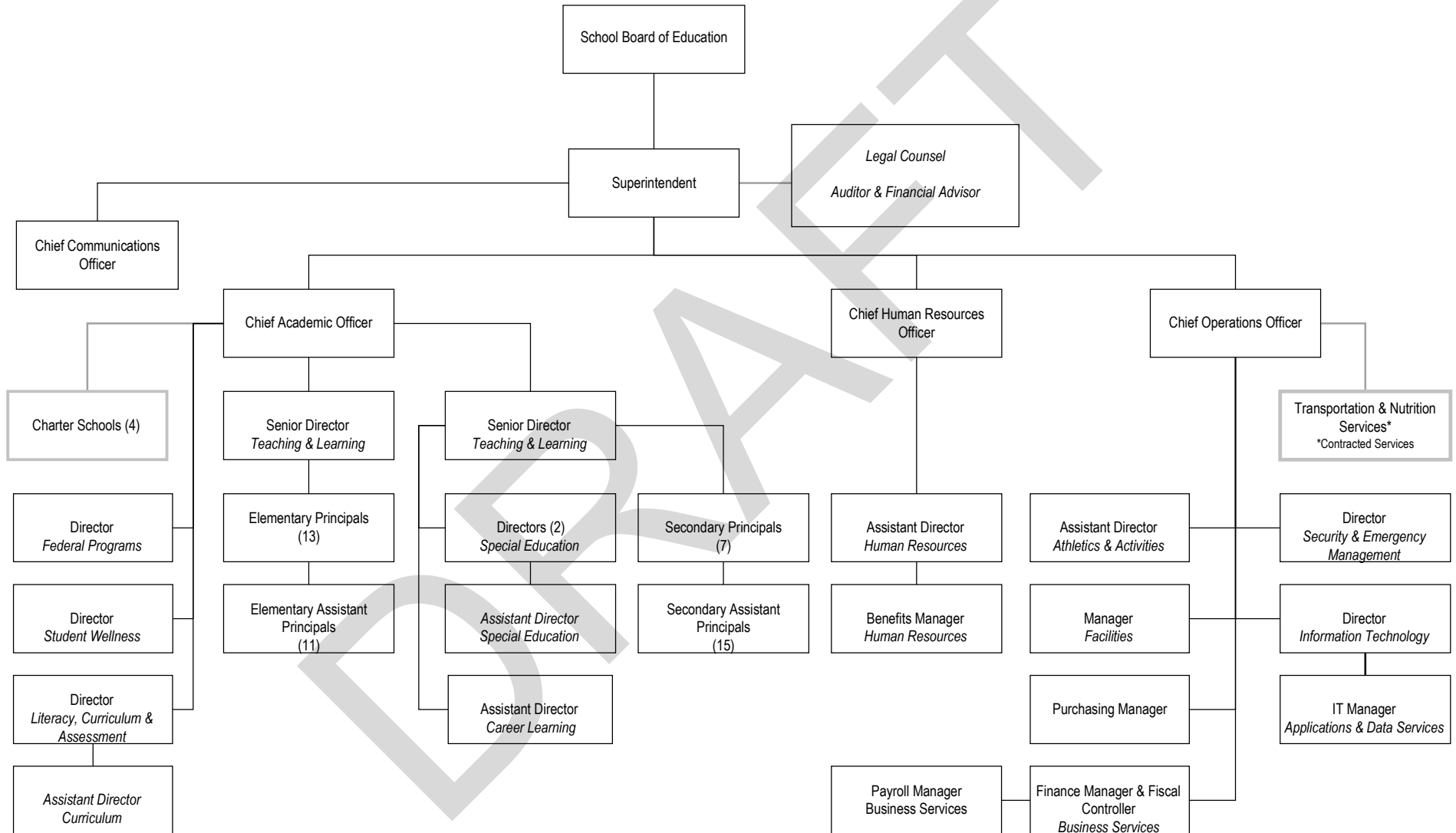
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Budget Committee

By law, the budget committee is charged with making recommendations concerning financial priorities.

The budget committee will have the responsibility for reviewing the financial program of the district, reviewing the proposed district budget as presented by the superintendent and recommending an annual or biennial district budget in keeping with the provisions of applicable state laws.

Educational policy decisions are the responsibility of the Board, not the budget committee. The committee does not have the authority to add programs or to approve additional personnel or increase salaries. The committee may, alternatively, set an amount that changes the recommended budget and may request the administration make such changes in accordance with priorities set by the Board.

The following will govern the make-up and process of establishing the district's budget committee:

1. The budget committee consists of seven members appointed by the Board plus the elected Board members. To be eligible for appointment, the appointive member must:
 - a. Live and be registered to vote in the district;
 - b. Not be an officer, agent or employee of the district.
2. At least one member of the budget committee must be a member of the district's educational equity advisory committee;¹
3. No budget committee member may receive any type of compensation from the district;
4. At its first meeting in October, the Board will identify vacant budget committee positions, which must be filled by appointment of the Board. The Board will announce the vacancies and receive applications from interested persons during the month of November. Such applications will include a signed statement that the applicant is willing to serve as a member of the budget committee and to adhere to the policies of the district. The Board may appoint budget committee members to as many consecutive terms as deemed appropriate;
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[ORS 192.610 - 192.695](#)
[ORS 294.305 - 294.565](#)

[ORS 328.542](#)
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Integrated Pest Management

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The IPM plan is a proactive strategy that:

1. Focuses on the long-term prevention or suppression of pest problems through economically sound measures that:
 - a. Protect the health and safety of students and faculty;
 - b. Protect the integrity of district buildings and grounds;
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 - d. Protect local ecosystem health.
2. Focuses on the prevention of pest problems by working to reduce or eliminate conditions ~~of property construction, operation and maintenance~~ that promote ~~or allow for~~ the establishment, feeding, breeding, and proliferation of pest populations ~~or other conditions that are conducive to pests or that create harborage for pests; during building operations and maintenance. All measures covered by this IPM will cover all district construction projects and contractors hired to perform work at any district site or building.~~
3. Incorporates the use of sanitation, structural remediation or habitat manipulation or of mechanical, biological and chemical pest control measures that present a reduced risk or have a low-impact and, for the purpose of mitigating a declared pest emergency, the application of pesticides that are not low-impact pesticides;
4. Includes regular monitoring and inspections to detect pests, pest damage and unsanctioned pesticide usage;
5. Evaluates the need for pest control by identifying acceptable pest population density levels;
6. Monitors and evaluates the effectiveness of pest control measures;

¹ See ORS 634.705(5).

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7. Excludes the application of pesticides on a routine schedule for purely preventive purposes, other than applications of pesticides designed to attract or be consumed by pests;
8. Excludes the application of pesticides for purely aesthetic purposes;
9. Includes school staff education about sanitation, monitoring, inspection, and pest control measures;
10. Gives preference to the use of nonchemical pest control measures;
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The ~~district shall designate the~~ facilities manager **is designated** as the Integrated Pest Management Plan Coordinator ~~with and has~~ the authority for overall implementation and evaluation of the IPM plan.

Integrated Pest Management Plan Coordinator

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1. Attend not less than six hours of IPM training each year. The training shall include at least a general review of integrated pest management principles and the requirements of IPM as required by Oregon statute;
2. Ensure appropriate prior notices are given and posted warnings have been placed when pesticide applications are scheduled;
- ~~3. Communicate the IPM plan essentials to the school community, custodians, maintenance, construction, grounds, faculty, and kitchen staff about the schools;~~
3. Oversee pest prevention efforts;
4. Ensuring identification and evaluation of pest situation;
5. Determine the means of appropriately managing pest damage that will cause the least possible hazard to people, property, and the environment;
6. Ensure the proper use and application of pesticide applications when non-pesticide controls have been unsuccessful;
7. Evaluate pest management results; **and**
8. Keep for at least four years following the application date, records of applied pesticides that include:
 - a. A copy of the label;
 - b. A copy of the Safety Data Sheet (SDS);
 - c. The brand name and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) registration number of the product;
 - d. The pest condition that prompted the application;**

- e. The approximate amount and concentration of pesticide applied;
 - f. The location **and description** of **the area** where the pesticide was applied;
 - g. The type of application and whether the application was effective;
 - h. The name(s) of the person(s) applying the pesticide;
 - i. The pesticide applicator's license numbers and pesticide trainee or certificate numbers of the person applying the pesticide;
 - j. The dates and times for the placement and removal of warning signs; and
 - k. Copies of all required notices given, including the dates the IPM Coordinator gave the notices.
9. Respond to inquiries about the IPM plan and refer complainants to Board policy KL – Public Complaints; **and**
10. Conduct outreach to district staff about the district's IPM plan.

At least once every five years, the Board shall review the IPM plan, make any necessary updates and readopt the IPM plan.³ The final IPM plan shall include the day, month and year the Board adopted or readopted the plan.

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[ORS 634.700 - 634.750](#)

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Student Health Services*/**

Although the district's primary responsibility is to educate students, the students' health and general welfare is also an important Board responsibility. The Board believes school programs should be conducted in a manner that protects and enhances student and employee health and is consistent with good health practices. A health services plan shall be developed, implemented, and updated annually. The plan shall describe a health services program for all students at each facility that is owned or leased where students are present for regular programming.

The district shall maintain a written prevention-oriented health services plan for all students. The health services plan will¹:

1. Explain available health care space that is appropriately supervised and adequately equipped for providing health care and administering medication or first aid;
2. Refer to available communicable disease prevention and management plan that includes school-level protocols²;
3. Outline a district-to-school communication plan³;
4. Provide information about health screenings, including immunizations and TB certificate requirements;
5. Describe how services for all students, including those who are medically complex, medically fragile or nursing dependent, and those who have approved 504 plans, individual education program plans, and individualized health care plans or special health care needs are managed⁴;
6. Integrate school health services with school health education programs and coordinate with health and social service agencies, public and private;
7. Describe how hearing, vision and dental screenings are managed and/or verified for required students⁵;

¹ For exact language and complete requirement, see OAR 581-022-2220(1).

² For specific protocol content requirements, see OAR 581-022-2220(1)(b).

³ For requirements of this plan see OAR 581-022-2220(1)(c).

⁴ For more information regarding these requirements see ORS 336.201 and 339.869, OARs 581-021-0037, 581-015-2040, 581-015-2045, 851-045-0040 – 0060, and 851-047-0010 – 0030.

⁵ For vision screening or eye examination or dental screening information see ORS 336.211 and 336.213.

8. Include a process to assess and determine a student's health services needs, including availability of a nurse to assess student nursing needs upon, during, and following enrollment with one or more new medical diagnose(s) impacting a student's access to education, and implement a student's individual health plan prior to attending school⁶;
9. Comply with OR-OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Standards for all persons who are assigned to job tasks which may put them at risk for exposure to body fluids⁷;
10. Refer to adopted policy and procedures for medications in accordance with Oregon law⁸;
11. Include guidelines for the management of students who are medically complex, medically fragile, or nursing dependent as defined by ORS 336.201, including students with life-threatening food allergies and adrenal insufficiency while the student is in school, at a school-sponsored activity, under the supervision of school personnel, in before-school or after-school care programs on school-owned property, and in transit to or from school or school-sponsored activities⁹; and
12. List the positions in the district which shall be required to obtain and maintain a first-aid/CPR/AED card in accordance with OAR 581-022-2220(3).

Any nurse(s) employed by the district and providing services to students on behalf of the district shall be licensed in Oregon to practice as a registered nurse or nurse practitioner or be a licensed practical nurse (LPN) in alignment with LPN supervision requirements of OAR 851-045-0050 – 0060.

A nurse employed by the district shall follow all applicable requirements of ORS Chapter 678 and OAR Chapter 851. This includes, but is not limited to, delegation in accordance with OAR 851-047, which includes performing a nursing assessment of a student prior to delegation, providing adequate supervision during the delegation, and evaluating the skills, ability and willingness of the delegee.¹⁰

An administrator or other staff who is not a nurse may supervise, evaluate or direct a school nurse or registered nurse for purposes related to the nurse's role as a school employee, including but not limited to assigning the nurse's work hours, locations and workload and other matters addressed through a collective bargaining agreement. An administrator may not direct the school nurse or registered nurse in the practice of nursing.

Access to Records

~~Related records can be requested in accordance with Board policies IGBAB/JO, - Education Records/Records of Students with Disabilities, KBA, - Public Records Requests and their respective administrative regulations. Records may be protected by Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act~~

⁶ For definitions for this policy see ORS 336.201.

⁷ OAR 437-002-0360 lists various health and safety regulations that apply in the employment setting.

⁸ Medication laws can be found in ORS 339.866 – 339.874 and OAR 581-021-0037; relevant Board policy includes JHCD/JHCDA - Medications.

⁹ For guideline requirements see OAR 581-022-2220(1)(k).

¹⁰ For additional delegation requirements see OAR 851-047-0030.

(FERPA), Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) or other public records laws. The timelines outlined in law and policy will be followed.

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Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 329.025](#)
[ORS 332.107](#)
[ORS 336.201](#)
[ORS 336.204](#)

[ORS 336.211 – 336.214](#)
[ORS 342.458](#)
[OAR 581-021-0017](#)
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[OAR 581-022-2515](#)

Every Student Succeeds Act, 20 U.S.C. § 7928 ~~(2018)~~ (2024).

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g ~~(2018)~~ (2024).

Medford School District 549C

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Student Health Services*/**

Although the district's primary responsibility is to educate students, the students' health and general welfare is also an important Board responsibility. The Board believes school programs should be conducted in a manner that protects and enhances student and employee health and is consistent with good health practices. A health services plan shall be developed, implemented, and updated annually. The plan shall describe a health services program for all students at each facility that is owned or leased where students are present for regular programming.

The district shall maintain a written prevention-oriented health services plan for all students. The health services plan will¹:

1. Explain available health care space that is appropriately supervised and adequately equipped for providing health care and administering medication or first aid;
2. Refer to available communicable disease prevention and management plan that includes school-level protocols²;
3. Outline a district-to-school communication plan³;
4. Provide information about health screenings, including immunizations and TB certificate requirements;
5. Describe how services for all students, including those who are medically complex, medically fragile or nursing dependent, and those who have approved 504 plans, individual education program plans, and individualized health care plans or special health care needs are managed⁴;
6. Integrate school health services with school health education programs and coordinate with health and social service agencies, public and private;
7. Describe how hearing, vision and dental screenings are managed and/or verified for required students⁵;

¹ For exact language and complete requirement, see OAR 581-022-2220(1).

² For specific protocol content requirements, see OAR 581-022-2220(1)(b).

³ For requirements of this plan see OAR 581-022-2220(1)(c).

⁴ For more information regarding these requirements see ORS 336.201 and 339.869, OARs 581-021-0037, 581-015-2040, 581-015-2045, 851-045-0040 – 0060, and 851-047-0010 – 0030.

⁵ For vision screening or eye examination or dental screening information see ORS 336.211 and 336.213.

8. Include a process to assess and determine a student's health services needs, including availability of a nurse to assess student nursing needs upon, during, and following enrollment with one or more new medical diagnose(s) impacting a student's access to education, and implement a student's individual health plan prior to attending school⁶;
9. Comply with OR-OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Standards for all persons who are assigned to job tasks which may put them at risk for exposure to body fluids⁷;
10. Refer to adopted policy and procedures for medications in accordance with Oregon law⁸;
11. Include guidelines for the management of students who are medically complex, medically fragile, or nursing dependent as defined by ORS 336.201, including students with life-threatening food allergies and adrenal insufficiency while the student is in school, at a school-sponsored activity, under the supervision of school personnel, in before-school or after-school care programs on school-owned property, and in transit to or from school or school-sponsored activities⁹; and
12. List the positions in the district which shall be required to obtain and maintain a first-aid/CPR/AED card in accordance with OAR 581-022-2220(3).

Any nurse(s) employed by the district and providing services to students on behalf of the district shall be licensed in Oregon to practice as a registered nurse or nurse practitioner or be a licensed practical nurse (LPN) in alignment with LPN supervision requirements of OAR 851-045-0050 – 0060.

A nurse employed by the district shall follow all applicable requirements of ORS Chapter 678 and OAR Chapter 851. This includes, but is not limited to, delegation in accordance with OAR 851-047, which includes performing a nursing assessment of a student prior to delegation, providing adequate supervision during the delegation, and evaluating the skills, ability and willingness of the delegee.¹⁰

An administrator or other staff who is not a nurse may supervise, evaluate or direct a school nurse or registered nurse for purposes related to the nurse's role as a school employee, including but not limited to assigning the nurse's work hours, locations and workload and other matters addressed through a collective bargaining agreement. An administrator may not direct the school nurse or registered nurse in the practice of nursing.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

⁶ For definitions for this policy see ORS 336.201.

⁷ OAR 437-002-0360 lists various health and safety regulations that apply in the employment setting.

⁸ Medication laws can be found in ORS 339.866 – 339.874 and OAR 581-021-0037; relevant Board policy includes JHCD/JHCDA - Medications.

⁹ For guideline requirements see OAR 581-022-2220(1)(k).

¹⁰ For additional delegation requirements see OAR 851-047-0030.

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Access to Buildings

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~~Site administrators will control access to their building and~~ The superintendent or designee will develop procedures to control access to school buildings and ~~will~~ provide safeguards against unauthorized access to the building. ~~Procedures will be developed to control the use of building keys and to ensure that buildings are adequately closed and locked when no authorized personnel are present. Staff or students who fail to obey such regulations may be disciplined, suspended or dismissed.~~ Procedures will include staff members being responsible for district property (e.g., keys, access cards) in their possession.

Staff who fail to obey such procedures may be disciplined up to and including dismissal. Students who fail to obey such procedures may be disciplined.

When reviewing policies and procedures relating to school building security, the Board must consider the installation of a panic alarm system in accordance with ORS 339.408.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

~~ORS 164.205 to 164.270~~

[ORS 332.107](#)

[ORS 332.172](#)

[ORS 339.408](#)

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2. Generating and disseminating information about who will be responsible to make what change, by how much, where and when;
3. Establishing standards for all foods and beverages provided (but not sold) to students during the school day on participating school campuses;
4. Establishing standards and nutrition guidelines for all foods and beverages sold to students during the school day on participating school campuses that meet state and federal nutrition standards for NSLP and SBP, competitive foods, permit marketing of same that meets the competitive food nutrition standards, and promotes student health and reduces child obesity; and
5. Establishing specific goals for nutrition promotion and education, physical activity, physical education and other school-based activities that promote student wellness.

The Board designates the superintendent to be responsible for ensuring each school meets the goals outlined and complies with this policy.

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The district will inform the public about the content and implementation of the local wellness policy, and post the policy and any updates to the policy on the district website annually. Included will be, if available, the most recent assessment of the implementation, and a description of the progress being made in attaining the goals of the policy.

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The district will actively communicate ways in which the community can participate in the development, implementation and periodic review and update of the local wellness policy. The district will communicate information about opportunities ~~on the district's website~~ through school and/or district communications. The district will ensure that communications are culturally and linguistically appropriate to the community.

Parents, students, representatives of the school food authority, teachers of physical education, school health professionals, the Board, school administrators, and the general public will be solicited to participate in the periodic review and update of the local school wellness policy.

NUTRITION PROMOTION AND NUTRITION EDUCATION

Nutrition promotion and nutrition education positively influence lifelong eating behaviors by using evidence-based strategies and techniques and nutrition messages and by creating food environments that support healthy nutrition choices.

Nutrition promotion and nutrition education shall be a sequential and integrated focus on improving students' eating behaviors, reflect evidence-based strategies and be consistent with state and local district health education standards.

To promote nutrition education in the schools, the principal is responsible for ensuring the following goals are implemented:

1. Students and staff will receive consistent nutrition messages throughout the school environment;
2. Nutrition education is provided throughout the student's school years as part of the district's age-appropriate, comprehensive nutrition program (which includes the benefits of healthy eating, essential nutrients, nutritional deficiencies, principles of healthy weight management, the use and misuse of dietary supplements, safe food preparation, and handling and storage related to food and eating), and is aligned and coordinated with the Oregon Health Education Standards and school health education programs;
3. Nutrition education will include culturally relevant, participatory activities that include social learning strategies and activities that are aligned and coordinated with the Oregon Health Education Standards and school health education programs;
4. Teachers will receive curriculum-specific training;
5. Parents and families are encouraged through school communications to send healthy snacks/meals and reusable water bottles with their student to school;
6. Families and community organizations are involved, to the extent practicable, in nutrition education;
7. Nutrition education homework that students can do with their families is assigned (e.g., reading and interpreting food labels, reading nutrition-related newsletters, preparing healthy recipes);
8. Materials on how to assess one's personal eating habits, set goals for improvement and achieve those goals.

Nutrition promotion, including marketing and advertising nutritious foods and beverages to students, will be implemented consistently through a comprehensive and multi-channel approach, (e.g., in the classroom, cafeteria and at home) by staff, teachers, parents, students and the community.

To ensure adequate nutrition promotion, the following goals will be implemented:

1. Information about available meal programs is distributed prior to or at the beginning of the school year and at other times throughout the school year;
2. Information about availability and location of a Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is distributed;
3. Nutrition promotion materials are sent home with students, published on the district website, and distributed at parent-teacher conferences;
4. Families are invited to attend exhibitions of student nutrition projects or health fairs;
5. Physical activity is ~~a planned part of all~~ promoted when possible at school-community events.

School Meals

Schools within the district participate in U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) child nutrition program(s), administered through the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) which may include the National School Lunch Program (NSLP), School Breakfast Program (SBP), Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Program (FFVP), and Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). The district may also operate additional nutrition-related programs and activities including Farm-to-School programs, or Breakfast After the Bell (BAtB).

The district's available meal program(s) will operate to meet meal pattern requirements and dietary specifications in accordance with the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act and applicable federal laws and regulations.

The principal(s) will support nutrition and food services operations as addressed in Board policy EFAA – District Nutrition and Food Services and its accompanying administrative regulation EFAA-AR – Reimbursable Meals and Milk Programs.

Water

Free, safe, unflavored, drinking water will be available to all students throughout the school day and throughout every school campus. The district will make drinking water available where school meals are served during mealtimes.

Competitive Foods and Beverages

The district controls the sale of all competitive foods. All foods and beverages outside the reimbursable school meal programs that are **sold** to students on the school campus during the school day will meet or exceed Oregon Smart Snacks Standards¹. These standards will apply in all locations and through all services where foods and beverages are sold, which may include, but are not limited to, à la carte options in cafeterias, vending machines, school stores, snack or food carts and fundraising.

Celebrations and Rewards/Incentives

All foods and beverages offered on the school campus are encouraged to meet the nutrition standards set by the USDA and the Oregon Smart Snacks Standards. This includes, but is not limited to, celebrations, parties, and classroom snacks brought by parents. Schools are ~~encouraged not to use~~ discouraged from using food as a reward or incentive.

Fundraising

Foods and beverages that meet or exceed the nutrition standards set by the USDA and the Oregon Smart Snacks Standards may be sold through fundraisers on the school campus during the school day. Such requests to conduct a fundraiser will be submitted to the principal for approval before starting.

¹ Oregon Department of Education, Oregon Smart Snacks Standards

Food and Beverage Marketing in Schools

Any foods and beverages marketed or promoted to students on the school campus during the school day will meet or exceed the nutrition standards for competitive foods set by the USDA.

The district (i.e., school nutrition services, athletics department, PTA, PTO) will review existing contracts, new contracts and equipment, and product purchase or replacement to reflect the applicable food and beverage marketing guidelines.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

A quality physical education program is an essential component for all students to learn about and participate in physical activity. The district will develop and assess student performance standards and program minute requirements in order to meet ODE's physical education content standards and state law.

Physical activity should be included in the school's daily education program for grades K through 12 and include regular, instructional physical education, as well as co-curricular activities and recess.

In order to ensure students are afforded the opportunity to engage in physical education and physical activity in the school setting, the following goals are established:

1. Physical education will be a course of study that focuses on students' physical literacy and development of motor skills;
2. Staff encourages and provides support for parental involvement in their children's physical education;
3. Physical education courses will be the environment where students learn, practice and are assessed on developmentally appropriate knowledge, skills and confidence to become physically literate;
4. Instruction, provided by adequately prepared teachers, i.e., licensed or endorsed to teach physical education, will meet the state adopted academic content standards for physical education (Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 329.045). Teachers of physical education shall ~~regularly~~ participate in professional development activities ~~annually~~ on an ongoing basis as opportunities are available and/or offered;
5. Every public school student in kindergarten through grade 8 shall participate in physical education for the entire school year. Students in kindergarten through grade 5 shall participate for a least 150 minutes during each school week, and students in grades 6 through 8 for at least 150 minutes during each school week, as calculated over the duration of a school year;
6. Physical activity will be integrated across curricula and throughout the school day. Movement will be made a part of all classes or courses as part of a well-rounded education;
7. Physical activity during the school day (including, but not limited to, recess, classroom physical activity breaks or physical education) will not be used as a punishment or a reward;

8. At least 50 percent of the weekly physical education class time in grades K through 8 shall be devoted to actual physical activity;
9. Physical activity is encouraged as part of all school-community events;
- ~~10. Materials promoting physical activity are sent home with students and published on the district website.~~

A student with a disability shall have suitably adapted physical education incorporated as part of their individualized education program (IEP) developed under ORS 343.151. A student who does not have an IEP but has chronic health problems, other disabling conditions or other special needs that preclude them from participating in regular physical education instruction, shall have suitably adapted physical education incorporated as part of their individualized health plan, developed by the district.

Other Activities that Promote Student Wellness

The district will integrate wellness activities throughout the entire school environment (districtwide). The district will coordinate and integrate other initiatives related to physical activity, physical education, nutrition and other wellness components so all efforts are complementary, not duplicated and work toward the same set of goals promoting student well-being, optimal development and strong educational outcomes.

The district will provide the following activities and encourage the following practices which promote local wellness:

- ~~1. Safe Routes to Schools Program;~~
1. Physically active family and community engagement activities for families to learn about healthy eating or to practice being active together (e.g., skate night, fun run, dance night);
2. Nonfood-related fundraisers;
3. Physical activity energizers during transitions from one subject to another;
4. Intramural sports;
5. Monthly/weekly school walks;
- ~~6. Assemblies which focus on wellness issues such as the importance of breakfast, healthy beverages, and how students and staff can incorporate 60 minutes of physical activity into their day;~~
6. Use of alternatives to food as rewards in the classroom;
7. Creation of connections between out-of-school time (OST) programs that involve staff members from OST programs, both school- and community-based, in school initiatives that address healthy eating, such as school wellness teams or wellness committees;
8. Integration of social, emotional and mental health supports into school programs (e.g., promote a positive school climate where respect is encouraged and students can seek help from trusted adults);

9. Communication between classroom teachers and nutrition staff, so that menus and nutrition promotion can be tied into classroom learning and coursework;
10. Additionally, the district will continually monitor and evaluate the appropriate amount of screen time for students. For more information, please refer to the district technology plan.

Employee Wellness

The district encourages staff to pursue a healthy lifestyle that contributes to their improved health status, improved morale and a greater personal commitment to the school's overall wellness program. Many actions and conditions that affect the health of staff may also influence the health and learning of students. The physical and mental health of staff is integral to promoting and protecting the health of students and helps foster their academic success. The district's Employee Wellness Program will promote health, reduce risky behaviors of employees and identify and correct conditions in the workplace that can compromise the health of staff, reduce their levels of productivity, impede student success and contribute to escalating health-related costs such as absenteeism.

The district will collaborate with community partners to identify programs, services and/or resources to compliment and enrich employee wellness endeavors.

The district's Employee Wellness Program may include the following:

1. Health education and health promoting activities that focus on skill development and lifestyle behavior that change along with awareness building, information dissemination, access to facilities, and are preferably tailored to employees' needs and interests;
2. Safe, supportive social and physical environments including organizational expectations about healthy behavior, and implementation of policy that promotes health and safety and reduces the risk of disease;
3. Linkage to related programs such as employee assistance programs, emergency care and programs that help employees balance work life and family life;
4. Education and resources to help employees make decisions about health care; and
5. Nutrition and fitness educational opportunities that may include but are not limited to, the distribution of educational and informational materials, and the arrangement of presentations and workshops that focus on healthy lifestyles, health assessments, fitness activities and other appropriate nutrition and physical activity related topics.

The district encourages participation from all employees. "Employees" are not limited to instructional staff (i.e., teachers and instructional assistants), but includes all administrators and support staff.

The following groups are seen as essential for establishing, implementing and sustaining an effective employee wellness program:

1. School personnel who implement existing wellness programs in the district (i.e., employee wellness committee);

2. District personnel who implement health programs for students (e.g., school health coordinator, [school district](#) nurses, psychologist, health and physical educators, nutrition professionals, [school](#) counselors and other staff); and
3. Decision makers who have the authority to approve policy and provide administrative support essential for a school wellness program (e.g., Board members, superintendent, human resource administrators, fiscal services administrators and principals).

DEFINITIONS

1. “Competitive food” means all food and beverages other than meals reimbursed under programs authorized by the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act available for sale to students on the school campus during the school day.
2. “Food and beverage marketing²” is defined as advertising and other promotion in schools. Food and beverage marketing often includes an oral, written or graphic statement made for the purpose of promoting the sale of a food or beverage product made by the producer, manufacturer, seller or any other entity with a commercial interest in the product.
3. “Oregon Smart Snacks Standards”³ means the State’s minimum nutrition standards for competitive foods and beverages (ORS 336.423).
4. “School day” means, for the purpose of competitive food standards implementation, the period from the midnight before, ~~to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day~~ through extended hours for activities such as clubs, yearbook, athletic practices, band or choir practice, student government, drama rehearsals, or child care programs .
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END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

² This term includes, but is not limited to, the following: brand names, trademarks, logos or tags, except when placed on a physically present food or beverage product or its container; displays, such as on vending machine exteriors; corporate brand, logo, name or trademark on school equipment, such as marquees, message boards, scoreboards or backboards (Note: Immediate replacement of these items is not required; however, districts will replace or update scoreboards or other durable equipment when existing contracts are up for renewal or to the extent that is financially possible over time so that items are in compliance.); corporate brand, logo, name or trademark on cups used for beverage dispensing, menu boards, coolers, trash cans and other food service equipment; as well as on posters, book covers, student assignment books or school supplies displayed, distributed, offered or sold by the district; advertisements in school publications or school mailings; free product samples, taste tests or coupons of a product, or free samples displaying advertising of a product.

³ Oregon Department of Education, Oregon Smart Snacks Standards

[ORS 327.531](#)
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[ORS 329.496](#)
[ORS 332.107](#)

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[OAR 581-051-0100](#)
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National School Lunch Program, 7 C.F.R. Part 210 (2022).
School Breakfast Program, 7 C.F.R. Part 220 (2022).
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The district controls the sale of all competitive foods. All foods and beverages outside the reimbursable school meal programs that are **sold** to students on the school campus during the school day will meet or exceed Oregon Smart Snacks Standards¹. These standards will apply in all locations and through all services where foods and beverages are sold, which may include, but are not limited to, à la carte options in cafeterias, vending machines, school stores, snack or food carts and fundraising.

Celebrations and Rewards/Incentives

All foods and beverages offered on the school campus are encouraged to meet the nutrition standards set by the USDA and the Oregon Smart Snacks Standards. This includes, but is not limited to, celebrations, parties, and classroom snacks brought by parents. Schools are discouraged from using food as a reward or incentive.

Fundraising

Foods and beverages that meet or exceed the nutrition standards set by the USDA and the Oregon Smart Snacks Standards may be sold through fundraisers on the school campus during the school day. Such requests to conduct a fundraiser will be submitted to the principal for approval before starting.

¹ Oregon Department of Education, Oregon Smart Snacks Standards

Food and Beverage Marketing in Schools

Any foods and beverages marketed or promoted to students on the school campus during the school day will meet or exceed the nutrition standards for competitive foods set by the USDA.

The district (i.e., school nutrition services, athletics department, PTA, PTO) will review existing contracts, new contracts and equipment, and product purchase or replacement to reflect the applicable food and beverage marketing guidelines.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

A quality physical education program is an essential component for all students to learn about and participate in physical activity. The district will develop and assess student performance standards and program minute requirements in order to meet ODE's physical education content standards and state law.

Physical activity should be included in the school's daily education program for grades K through 12 and include regular, instructional physical education, as well as co-curricular activities and recess.

In order to ensure students are afforded the opportunity to engage in physical education and physical activity in the school setting, the following goals are established:

1. Physical education will be a course of study that focuses on students' physical literacy and development of motor skills;
2. Staff encourages and provides support for parental involvement in their children's physical education;
3. Physical education courses will be the environment where students learn, practice and are assessed on developmentally appropriate knowledge, skills and confidence to become physically literate;
4. Instruction, provided by adequately prepared teachers, i.e., licensed or endorsed to teach physical education, will meet the state adopted academic content standards for physical education (Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 329.045). Teachers of physical education shall participate in professional development activities on an ongoing basis as opportunities are available and/or offered;
5. Every public school student in kindergarten through grade 8 shall participate in physical education for the entire school year. Students in kindergarten through grade 5 shall participate for a least 150 minutes during each school week, and students in grades 6 through 8 for at least 150 minutes during each school week, as calculated over the duration of a school year;
6. Physical activity will be integrated across curricula and throughout the school day. Movement will be made a part of all classes or courses as part of a well-rounded education;
7. Physical activity during the school day (including, but not limited to, recess, classroom physical activity breaks or physical education) will not be used as a punishment or a reward;

8. At least 50 percent of the weekly physical education class time in grades K through 8 shall be devoted to actual physical activity;
9. Physical activity is encouraged as part of all school-community events.

A student with a disability shall have suitably adapted physical education incorporated as part of their individualized education program (IEP) developed under ORS 343.151. A student who does not have an IEP but has chronic health problems, other disabling conditions or other special needs that preclude them from participating in regular physical education instruction, shall have suitably adapted physical education incorporated as part of their individualized health plan, developed by the district.

Other Activities that Promote Student Wellness

The district will integrate wellness activities throughout the entire school environment (districtwide). The district will coordinate and integrate other initiatives related to physical activity, physical education, nutrition and other wellness components so all efforts are complementary, not duplicated and work toward the same set of goals promoting student well-being, optimal development and strong educational outcomes.

The district will provide the following activities and encourage the following practices which promote local wellness:

1. Physically active family and community engagement activities for families to learn about healthy eating or to practice being active together (e.g., skate night, fun run, dance night);
2. Nonfood-related fundraisers;
3. Physical activity energizers during transitions from one subject to another;
4. Intramural sports;
5. Monthly/weekly school walks;
6. Use of alternatives to food as rewards in the classroom;
7. Creation of connections between out-of-school time (OST) programs that involve staff members from OST programs, both school- and community-based, in school initiatives that address healthy eating, such as school wellness teams or wellness committees;
8. Integration of social, emotional and mental health supports into school programs (e.g., promote a positive school climate where respect is encouraged and students can seek help from trusted adults);
9. Communication between classroom teachers and nutrition staff, so that menus and nutrition promotion can be tied into classroom learning and coursework;
10. Additionally, the district will continually monitor and evaluate the appropriate amount of screen time for students. For more information, please refer to the district technology plan.

Employee Wellness

The district encourages staff to pursue a healthy lifestyle that contributes to their improved health status, improved morale and a greater personal commitment to the school's overall wellness program. Many actions and conditions that affect the health of staff may also influence the health and learning of students. The physical and mental health of staff is integral to promoting and protecting the health of students and helps foster their academic success. The district's Employee Wellness Program will promote health, reduce risky behaviors of employees and identify and correct conditions in the workplace that can compromise the health of staff, reduce their levels of productivity, impede student success and contribute to escalating health-related costs such as absenteeism.

The district will collaborate with community partners to identify programs, services and/or resources to compliment and enrich employee wellness endeavors.

The district's Employee Wellness Program may include the following:

1. Health education and health promoting activities that focus on skill development and lifestyle behavior that change along with awareness building, information dissemination, access to facilities, and are preferably tailored to employees' needs and interests;
2. Safe, supportive social and physical environments including organizational expectations about healthy behavior, and implementation of policy that promotes health and safety and reduces the risk of disease;
3. Linkage to related programs such as employee assistance programs, emergency care and programs that help employees balance work life and family life;
4. Education and resources to help employees make decisions about health care; and
5. Nutrition and fitness educational opportunities that may include but are not limited to, the distribution of educational and informational materials, and the arrangement of presentations and workshops that focus on healthy lifestyles, health assessments, fitness activities and other appropriate nutrition and physical activity related topics.

The district encourages participation from all employees. "Employees" are not limited to instructional staff (i.e., teachers and instructional assistants), but includes all administrators and support staff.

The following groups are seen as essential for establishing, implementing and sustaining an effective employee wellness program:

1. School personnel who implement existing wellness programs in the district (i.e., employee wellness committee);
2. District personnel who implement health programs for students (e.g., school health coordinator, district nurses, psychologist, health and physical educators, nutrition professionals, school counselors and other staff); and

3. Decision makers who have the authority to approve policy and provide administrative support essential for a school wellness program (e.g., Board members, superintendent, human resource administrators, fiscal services administrators and principals).

DEFINITIONS

1. “Competitive food” means all food and beverages other than meals reimbursed under programs authorized by the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act available for sale to students on the school campus during the school day.
2. “Food and beverage marketing²” is defined as advertising and other promotion in schools. Food and beverage marketing often includes an oral, written or graphic statement made for the purpose of promoting the sale of a food or beverage product made by the producer, manufacturer, seller or any other entity with a commercial interest in the product.
3. “Oregon Smart Snacks Standards”³ means the State’s minimum nutrition standards for competitive foods and beverages (ORS 336.423).
4. “School day” means, for the purpose of competitive food standards implementation, the period from the midnight before, through extended hours for activities such as clubs, yearbook, athletic practices, band or choir practice, student government, drama rehearsals, or child care programs .
5. “School campus” means, for the purpose of competitive food standards implementation, all areas of property under the jurisdiction of the school that are accessible to students during the school day.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

² This term includes, but is not limited to, the following: brand names, trademarks, logos or tags, except when placed on a physically present food or beverage product or its container; displays, such as on vending machine exteriors; corporate brand, logo, name or trademark on school equipment, such as marquees, message boards, scoreboards or backboards (Note: Immediate replacement of these items is not required; however, districts will replace or update scoreboards or other durable equipment when existing contracts are up for renewal or to the extent that is financially possible over time so that items are in compliance.); corporate brand, logo, name or trademark on cups used for beverage dispensing, menu boards, coolers, trash cans and other food service equipment; as well as on posters, book covers, student assignment books or school supplies displayed, distributed, offered or sold by the district; advertisements in school publications or school mailings; free product samples, taste tests or coupons of a product, or free samples displaying advertising of a product.

³ Oregon Department of Education, Oregon Smart Snacks Standards

[ORS 327](#).531
[ORS 327](#).537
[ORS 329](#).496
[ORS 332](#).107

[ORS 336](#).423

[OAR 581](#)-051-0100
[OAR 581](#)-051-0305

[OAR 581](#)-051-0306
[OAR 581](#)-051-0310
[OAR 581](#)-051-0400

Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010, 42 U.S.C. §1758b (2018).
National School Lunch Program, 7 C.F.R. Part 210 (2022).
School Breakfast Program, 7 C.F.R. Part 220 (2022).
[House Bill 3199](#) (2023).

Cross Reference(s):

EFAA - District Nutrition and Food Services

Medford School District 549C

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Personnel: Definitions

LICENSED EMPLOYEES - are those holding a position that requires a license issued by the state Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC).

A teacher is an employee who holds a teacher's license or is registered to teach by TSPC.

A contract teacher means any teacher who has been regularly employed by a school district for a probationary period of not more than three successive school years and who has been re-extended for the next succeeding school year.

A probationary teacher is one who is not a contract teacher and who works at least 135 consecutive days in any school year as a teacher in the district.

A temporary teacher is any teacher employed to fill a position designated as temporary or experimental or to fill a vacancy that occurs after the opening of school because of unanticipated enrollment or the death, disability, retirement, resignation, contract nonextension or dismissal of a contract or probationary teacher.

A substitute teacher is any teacher employed to take the place of a probationary or contract teacher who is temporarily absent. A substitute teacher is employed on a day-to-day basis, without contract, and does the work of the regularly assigned teacher during the latter's absence from duty. Substitutes employed by the District will be paid at a rate established annually by the Board in accordance with the provisions of Oregon law.

An intern teacher is a regularly enrolled student of a college or university who teaches under the supervision of the staff of such institution and of the district in order to acquire practical experience in teaching. The intern teacher receives both academic credit from such institution and financial compensation from the district.

An administrator is an employee who has been granted administrative authority and who spends more than one-half time in the organization, direction, supervision, control or evaluation of district employees or programs.

A specialist is an employee who has a teaching license or a letter of authorization from the Oregon Department of Education and who is employed half-time or more.

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL – are those employees in positions for which no teaching or administrative licenses are required by law.

Regular classified employees are those employed in positions established by the Board requiring 20 or more hours per week for at least a full school year.

Part-time regular classified employees are those employed in positions established by the Board requiring less than 20 hours per week for at least a full school year.

Temporary/substitute classified employees are those employed on an as-needed basis. The Board shall determine if these employees are eligible for benefits.

Classified supervisory employees are those who serve in positions that exercise administrative authority or supervisory responsibility over classified employees and as defined in ORS 243.650 (23).

SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES – are those individuals having authority to hire, transfer, suspend, lay off, recall, promote, discharge, assign, reward or discipline other employees, or responsibly to direct them, or to adjust their grievances or effectively to recommend such action if the exercise of such authority is not of a merely routine or clerical nature but requires the use of independent judgment. No nurse, charge nurse or similar nursing position shall be deemed to be supervisory unless such position has been traditionally classified as supervisory.

CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES – are designated in accordance with Oregon law and provisions of the labor agreements between the district and its licensed and classified employees. Such employees will be excluded from any bargaining unit. Salaries and benefits for confidential employees will be established by the Board.

ADMINISTRATIVE EMPLOYEE – means an employee of the district who possesses authority to formulate and carry out administrative and/or program decisions, or who represents administration's interest by taking or effectively recommending discretionary actions that control or implement district policy, and who has discretion in the performance of these administrative and/or program responsibilities beyond the routine discharge of duties. An "administrative employee" need not act in a supervisory capacity in relation to other employees.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 243.650\(6\), \(23\)](#)
[ORS 332.505](#)
[ORS 332.554\(3\)](#)
[ORS 342.120](#)

[ORS 342.125](#)
[ORS 342.420](#)
[ORS 342.610](#)
[ORS 342.815](#)

[ORS 342.835](#)
[ORS 342.840](#)
[ORS 342.845](#)

[OAR 584-020-0005](#)

Job York v. Portland Sch. Dist., No. FDA 83-7 (August 1983).

Cross Reference(s):

GC - Licensed Staff Positions

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Equal Employment Opportunity

Equal employment opportunity and treatment shall be practiced by the district regardless of race¹, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, marital status, pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition², age, veterans' status³; service in a uniformed service, familial status, genetic information, an individual's juvenile record that has been expunged, and disability⁴ if the employee, with or without reasonable accommodation, is able to perform the essential functions of the position.

The district administers preference in hiring or promotion decisions in accordance with Oregon law for applicants claiming preference as a veteran, disabled veteran, state servicemember or former state servicemember.

The superintendent will appoint an employee to serve as the officer in charge of compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and the American with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADA), and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. The superintendent will also designate a Title IX Coordinator to comply with the requirements of Title IX of the Education Amendments. The Title IX Coordinator will investigate complaints communicated to the district alleging noncompliance with Title IX. The name, address, and telephone number of the Title IX Coordinator will be provided communicated to all students, parents/guardians of students and employees through handbooks and will be published on the district website.

The superintendent will develop other specific recruiting recruitment, interviewing and evaluation procedures as are necessary to implement this policy. These procedures will seek to provide an equal employment opportunity and eliminate the effects of past and present discrimination, intended or unintended, on the basis of race, religion, national origin, age, sex, marital status or physical or mental disabilities.

END OF POLICY

¹ Race also includes physical characteristics that are historically associated with race, including but not limited to natural hair, hair texture, hair type and protective hairstyles as defined by ORS 659A.001 (as amended by House Bill 2935 (2021)).

² ~~This unlawful employment practice~~ [Certain protections related to pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition as described in House Bill 2341 (2019) (added to ORS 659A) applies to employers who employ six or more persons (ORS 659A.106 and ORS 659A.148).] {Remove if district has six or more employees.}

³ ~~The district grants a preference in hiring and promotion to veterans and disabled veterans. A veteran is eligible to use the preference any time when applying for a position at any time after discharge or release from service in the Armed Forces of the United States.~~

⁴ ~~This unlawful employment practice~~ [Certain protections related to disability as described in ORS 659A.112 applies only to employers who employ six or more persons (ORS 659A.106).

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 174.100	ORS 659A.009	ORS 659A.409
ORS 242.317 – 243.323	ORS 659A.029	ORS 659A.820
ORS 326.051	ORS 659A.030	OAR 581-021-0045
ORS 332.505	ORS 659A.040	OAR 581-022-2405
ORS 342.934	ORS 659A.082	OAR 839-003-0000
ORS 408.225 – 408.237	ORS 659A.109	OAR 839-006-0435 – 0480
ORS 408.230	ORS 659A.112	OAR 839-006-0440
ORS 408.235	ORS 659A.147	OAR 839-006-0450
ORS 652.210 - 652.220	ORS 659A.233	OAR 839-006-0455
ORS 659.850	ORS 659A.236	OAR 839-006-0460
ORS 659A.003	ORS 659A.309	OAR 839-006-0465
ORS 659A.006	ORS 659A.321	

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d ~~(20182024)~~.

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, et. seq. ~~(20182024)~~.

Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634 ~~(20182024)~~; 29 C.F.R Part 1626 ~~(20192025)~~.

Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6101-6107 ~~(20182024)~~.

Equal Pay Act of 1963, 29 U.S.C. § 206(d) ~~(20182024)~~.

Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. §§ 791, 794 ~~(20182024)~~; 34 C.F.R. Part 104 ~~(20192025)~~.

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683, 1701, 1703-1705, 1720 ~~(20182024)~~;

Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance, 34 C.F.R. Part 106 (2020).

Americans with Disabilities Act ~~of 1990~~/Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213 ~~(20182024)~~; 29 C.F.R. Part 1630 ~~(20192025)~~; 28 C.F.R. Part 35 ~~20192025)~~.

~~Wygant v. Jackson Bd. of Educ., 476 U.S. 267 (1989);~~

~~Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12133 (2018);~~

The Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, 38 U.S.C. § 4212 ~~(20182024)~~.

Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, 42 U.S.C. § 2000ff-1 ~~(20182024)~~.

~~Chevron USA Inc. v. Echazabal, 536 U.S. 736 (2002);~~

Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994, 38 U.S.C. §§ 4301-4303, 4311 ~~(20182024)~~.

~~House Bill 2935 (2021)~~

~~House Bill 3041 (2021)~~

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END OF POLICY

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³ Certain protections related to disability apply only to employers who employ six or more persons (ORS 659A.106).

Legal Reference(s):

<u>ORS 174.100</u>	<u>ORS 659A.006</u>	
<u>ORS 326.051</u>	<u>ORS 659A.009</u>	<u>ORS 659A.820</u>
<u>ORS 332.505</u>	<u>ORS 659A.029</u>	
<u>ORS 408.225 – 408.237</u>	<u>ORS 659A.030</u>	<u>OAR 581-021-0045</u>
<u>ORS 652.210 - 652.220</u>	<u>ORS 659A.082</u>	<u>OAR 581-022-2405</u>
<u>ORS 659.850</u>	<u>ORS 659A.109</u>	<u>OAR 839-006-0435 – 0480</u>
<u>ORS 659A.003</u>	<u>ORS 659A.112</u>	
	<u>ORS 659A.147</u>	

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d (2024).
Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, et. seq. (2024).
Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634 (2024); 29 C.F.R Part 1626 (2025).
Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 42 U.S.C. §§ 6101-6107 (2024).
Equal Pay Act of 1963, 29 U.S.C. § 206(d) (2024).
Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. §§ 791, 794 (2024); 34 C.F.R. Part 104 (2025).
Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683, 1701, 1703-1705, 1720 (2024); Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance, 34 C.F.R. Part 106 (2020).
Americans with Disabilities Act /Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213 (2024); 29 C.F.R. Part 1630 (2025); 28 C.F.R. Part 35 (2025).
The Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, 38 U.S.C. § 4212 (2024).
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Sexual Harassment

The district is committed to eliminating sexual harassment. Sexual harassment will not be tolerated in the district. All students, staff members and other persons are entitled to learn and work in an environment that is free of harassment. All staff members, students, volunteers, and third parties are subject to this policy.

Any person may report sexual harassment.

The district processes complaints or reports of sexual harassment under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 342.700 et. al. and federal Title IX laws found in Title 34 C.F.R. Part 106. Individual complaints may require both of these procedures, and may involve additional complaint procedures.

General Procedures

When information, a report or complaint regarding sexual harassment is received by the district, the district will review such information, report or complaint to determine which law applies and will follow the appropriate procedures. When the alleged conduct could meet both of the definitions in ORS Chapter 342 and Title IX, both complaint procedures should be processed simultaneously (see GBN/JBA-AR(1) - Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure and GBN/JBA-AR(2) - Federal Law (Title IX) Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure). The district may also need to use other complaint procedures when the alleged conduct could meet the definitions for other complaint procedures.

OREGON DEFINITION AND PROCEDURES

Oregon Definition

Sexual harassment of students, staff members or third parties¹ shall include:

1. A demand or request for sexual favors in exchange for benefits;
2. Unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that is physical, verbal, or nonverbal and that:
 - a. Interferes with a student's educational activity or program;
 - b. Interferes with a school or district staff member's ability to perform their job; or
 - c. Creates an intimidating, offensive, or hostile environment.

¹ "Third party" means a person who is not a student or a school or district staff member and who is: 1) on or immediately adjacent to school grounds or district property; 2) At a school-sponsored activity or program; or 3) Off school grounds or district property if a student or a school or district staff member acts toward the person in a manner that creates a hostile environment for the person while on school or district property, or at a school- or district-sponsored activity.

3. Assault when sexual contact occurs without consent.²

Sexual harassment does not include conduct that is necessary because of a job duty of a school or district staff member or because of a service required to be provided by a contractor, agent, or volunteer, if the conduct is not the product of sexual intent or a person finding another person, or another person's actions, offensive because of that other person's sexual orientation or gender identity.

Examples of sexual harassment may include, but not be limited to, physical touching or graffiti of a sexual nature; displaying or distributing of sexually explicit drawings; pictures and written materials; sexual gestures or obscene jokes; touching oneself sexually or talking about one's sexual behaviors in front of others; or spreading rumors about or rating other students or others as to appearance, sexual activity or performance.

Oregon Procedures

Reports and complaints of sexual harassment should be made to the following individual(s):

Fred Kondziela

Title IX Coordinator/ District Athletics & Activities Director

Email: fred.kondziela@medford.k12.or.us Phone: 541-842-3838

This individual is responsible for accepting and managing complaints of sexual harassment. Persons wishing to report should use the above information. This person is also designated as the Title IX Coordinator. See GBN/JBA-AR(1) - Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure.

Response

Any staff member who becomes aware of behavior that may violate this policy shall immediately report to a district official. The district official (with coordination involving the reporting staff member when appropriate) will take any action necessary to ensure the:

1. Student is protected and to promote a nonhostile learning environment;
2. Staff member is protected and to promote a nonhostile work environment; or
3. Third party who is subjected to the behavior is protected and to promote a nonhostile environment.

This includes providing resources for support measures to the student, staff member or third party who was subjected to the behavior and taking any actions necessary to remove potential future impact on the student, staff member or third party, but are not retaliatory against the student, staff member or third party being harassed or the person who reported to the district official.

Any student or staff member who feels they are a victim of sexual harassment are encouraged to **immediately** report their concerns to district officials, this includes officials such as the principal, compliance officer or superintendent. Students may also report concerns to a teacher, counselor or school nurse, who will promptly notify the appropriate district official.

² "Without consent" means an act performed: (a) without the knowing, voluntary and clear agreement by all parties to participate in the specific act; or (b) when a person who is a party to the act is incapacitated by drugs or alcohol; unconscious; or pressured through physical force, coercion or explicit or implied threats to participate in the act.

Investigation

All reports and complaints about behavior that may violate this policy shall be investigated. The district may use, but is not limited to, the following means for investigating incidents of possible harassment:

1. Interviews with those involved;
2. Interviews with witnesses;
3. Review of video surveillance;
4. Review of written communications, including electronic communications;
5. Review of any physical evidence; and
6. Use of third-party investigator.

The district will use a reasonable person standard when determining whether a hostile environment exists. A hostile environment exists if a reasonable person with similar characteristics and under similar circumstances would consider the conduct to be so severe as to create a hostile environment.

The district may take, but is not limited to, the following procedures and remedial action to address and stop sexual harassment:

1. Discipline of staff and students engaging in sexual harassment;
2. Removal of third parties engaged in sexual harassment;
3. Additional supervision in activities;
4. Additional controls for district electronic systems;
5. Trainings and education for staff and students; and
6. Increased notifications regarding district procedures and resources.

When a student or staff member is harassed by a third party, the district will consider the following:

1. Removing that third party's ability to contract or volunteer with the district, or be present on district property;
2. If the third party works for an entity that contracts with the district, communicating with the third party's employer;
3. If the third party is a student of another district or school, communicate information related to the incident to the other district or school;
4. Limiting attendance at district events; and
5. Providing for additional supervision, including law enforcement if necessary, at district events.

No Retaliation

Retaliation against persons who initiate complaint or otherwise report sexual harassment or who participate in an investigation or other related activities is prohibited. The initiation of a complaint, reporting of behavior, or participation in an investigation, in good faith about behavior that may violate this policy may not adversely affect the:

1. Educational assignments or educational environment of a student or other person initiating the complaint, reporting the behavior, or participating in the investigation; or
2. Any terms or conditions of employment or of work or educational environment of a school or district staff member or other person initiating the complaint, reporting the behavior, or participating in the investigation.

Students who initiate a complaint or otherwise report harassment covered by the policy or who participate in an investigation may not be disciplined for violations of the district's drug and alcohol policies that occurred in connection with the reported prohibited conduct and that were discovered because of the report or investigation, unless the student gave another person alcohol or drugs without the person's knowledge and with the intent of causing the person to become incapacitated and vulnerable to the prohibited conduct.

Notices

When a person³ who may have been affected by this policy files a complaint or otherwise reports behavior that may violate the policy, the district shall provide written notification to the following:

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Sexual Harassment

The district is committed to eliminating sexual harassment. Sexual harassment will not be tolerated in the district. All students, staff members and other persons are entitled to learn and work in an environment that is free of harassment. All staff members, students, volunteers, and third parties are subject to this policy.

Any person may report sexual harassment.

The district processes complaints or reports of sexual harassment under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 342.700 et. al. and federal Title IX laws found in Title 34 C.F.R. Part 106. Individual complaints may require both of these procedures, and may involve additional complaint procedures.

General Procedures

When information, a report or complaint regarding sexual harassment is received by the district, the district will review such information, report or complaint to determine which law applies and will follow the appropriate procedures. When the alleged conduct could meet both of the definitions in ORS Chapter 342 and Title IX, both complaint procedures should be processed simultaneously (see GBN/JBA-AR(1) - Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure and GBN/JBA-AR(2) - Federal Law (Title IX) Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure). The district may also need to use other complaint procedures when the alleged conduct could meet the definitions for other complaint procedures.

OREGON DEFINITION AND PROCEDURES

Oregon Definition

Sexual harassment of students, staff members or third parties¹ shall include:

1. A demand or request for sexual favors in exchange for benefits;
2. Unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that is physical, verbal, or nonverbal and that:
 - a. Interferes with a student's educational activity or program;
 - b. Interferes with a school or district staff member's ability to perform their job; or
 - c. Creates an intimidating, offensive, or hostile environment.

¹ "Third party" means a person who is not a student or a school or district staff member and who is: 1) on or immediately adjacent to school grounds or district property; 2) At a school-sponsored activity or program; or 3) Off school grounds or district property if a student or a school or district staff member acts toward the person in a manner that creates a hostile environment for the person while on school or district property, or at a school- or district-sponsored activity.

3. Assault when sexual contact occurs without consent.²

Sexual harassment does not include conduct that is necessary because of a job duty of a school or district staff member or because of a service required to be provided by a contractor, agent, or volunteer, if the conduct is not the product of sexual intent or a person finding another person, or another person's actions, offensive because of that other person's sexual orientation or gender identity.

Examples of sexual harassment may include, but not be limited to, physical touching or graffiti of a sexual nature; displaying or distributing of sexually explicit drawings; pictures and written materials; sexual gestures or obscene jokes; touching oneself sexually or talking about one's sexual behaviors in front of others; or spreading rumors about or rating other students or others as to appearance, sexual activity or performance.

Oregon Procedures

Reports and complaints of sexual harassment should be made to the following individual(s):

Fred Kondziela

Title IX Coordinator/ District Athletics & Activities Director

Email: fred.kondziela@medford.k12.or.us Phone: 541-842-3838

This individual is responsible for accepting and managing complaints of sexual harassment. Persons wishing to report should use the above information. This person is also designated as the Title IX Coordinator. See GBN/JBA-AR(1) - Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure.

Response

Any staff member who becomes aware of behavior that may violate this policy shall immediately report to a district official. The district official (with coordination involving the reporting staff member when appropriate) will take any action necessary to ensure the:

1. Student is protected and to promote a nonhostile learning environment;
2. Staff member is protected and to promote a nonhostile work environment; or
3. Third party who is subjected to the behavior is protected and to promote a nonhostile environment.

This includes providing resources for support measures to the student, staff member or third party who was subjected to the behavior and taking any actions necessary to remove potential future impact on the student, staff member or third party, but are not retaliatory against the student, staff member or third party being harassed or the person who reported to the district official.

Any student or staff member who feels they are a victim of sexual harassment are encouraged to report their concerns to district officials, this includes officials such as the principal, compliance officer or superintendent. Students may also report concerns to a teacher, counselor or school nurse, who will promptly notify the appropriate district official.

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Investigation

All reports and complaints about behavior that may violate this policy shall be investigated. The district may use, but is not limited to, the following means for investigating incidents of possible harassment:

1. Interviews with those involved;
2. Interviews with witnesses;
3. Review of video surveillance;
4. Review of written communications, including electronic communications;
5. Review of any physical evidence; and
6. Use of third-party investigator.

The district will use a reasonable person standard when determining whether a hostile environment exists. A hostile environment exists if a reasonable person with similar characteristics and under similar circumstances would consider the conduct to be so severe as to create a hostile environment.

The district may take, but is not limited to, the following procedures and remedial action to address and stop sexual harassment:

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3. Additional supervision in activities;
4. Additional controls for district electronic systems;
5. Trainings and education for staff and students; and
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Sick Time*

“Employee” means an individual who renders personal services at a fixed rate to the district if the district either pays or agrees to pay for personal services or permits the individual to perform personal services. The definition does not include volunteers ~~or~~ independent contractors ~~or others excluded by law~~.

Employees qualify to begin earning and accruing sick time on the first day of employment with the district and are eligible to use sick time beginning on the 91st calendar day of employment with the district and may use sick time as it is accrued.

The district employs 10 or more employees and therefore shall allow an eligible employee to access up to 40 hours of paid sick time per year. Paid sick time shall accrue at the rate of at least one hour of paid sick time for every 30 hours the employee works, or 1-1/3 hours for every 40 hours the employee works.

The employee may carry up to 40 hours of unused sick time from one year to the subsequent year. An employee is limited to accruing no more than 80 hours of ~~sick time per school year~~ and ~~An employee is limited to~~ using no more than 40 hours of sick time ~~per school~~ in a year.

Sick time shall be taken in hourly increments ~~except for substitutes who must take sick time in 4 or 8 hour increments (1/2 day or 1 full day)~~. Sick time and may be used for the employee’s or a family member’s¹ mental or physical illness, injury or health condition, need for medical diagnosis, care or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition or need for preventive care, or for reasons consistent with qualifying Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance (PFMLI) or Oregon Family Leave Act (OFLA). ~~Sick time may also be used in the event of a public health emergency or for leave to address domestic violence, harassment, sexual assault, bias, or stalking under ORS 659A.272.~~

Sick time earned by an employee may also be used for the following reasons:

1. ~~In the event of a public health emergency compliant with Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 653.616;~~
2. ~~To donate blood in connection with a voluntary program for the donation of blood that is approved or accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks or the American Red Cross; or~~
3. ~~For leave to address domestic violence, harassment, sexual assault, bias, or stalking under ORS 659A.272 (safe leave).~~

The use of sick time may not lead to, or result in, an adverse employment action against the employee.

¹ “Family member” is defined by the Oregon Family Leave Act (OFLA).

The district reserves the right, after an employee uses sick time for more than three consecutive scheduled workdays, or if misuse is suspected, to require verification or certification in accordance with law of the need for the sick time, including a medical verification or certification² paid for by the district. If an employee fails to provide verification or certification or fails to provide other evidence as required by the district, the employee shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

When the reason for sick time is consistent with FMLA, PFMLI or OFLA leave, sick time leave and qualifying FMLA, PFMLI or OFLA leave may run concurrently, if applicable.

When the reason for sick time is consistent with ORS 332.507, the sick time and leave pursuant to ORS 332.507 may run concurrently, if applicable.

If the reason for sick time is a foreseeable absence, the district requires an employee to provide advance notice of the intention to use sick time 10 days prior to when the requested sick time is to begin or as soon as otherwise practicable. When an employee uses sick time for a foreseeable absence, the employee shall take reasonable effort to schedule the sick time in a manner that does not unduly disrupt the operations of the district (e.g., grading deadlines, in-service training, mandatory meetings). ~~Substitutes are expected to decline assignments for days of a foreseeable absence.~~

If the reason for sick time is unforeseeable, such as an emergency, accident or sudden illness, the employee shall notify the district ~~consistent with the reporting time established by the district as soon as possible before the assigned shift or~~ or when circumstances prevent the employee from providing notice as required, as soon as practicable. ~~in the event of an emergency.~~

~~The district may discipline an employee for violating workplace policies and procedures if the employee fails to provide notice as required.~~

The district shall establish a standard process to track the eligibility for sick time of a substitute.

~~Nothing in this policy impacts the district's sick leave obligation under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 332.507.~~

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

² In the case of need for leave under ORS 659A.272, the district may not require the verification or certification to explain the nature of the illness or details related to the domestic violence, sexual assault, harassment, bias, or stalking, which necessitates the use of sick time.

[ORS 332](#).507
[ORS 342](#).545

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Sick Time*

“Employee” means an individual who renders personal services at a fixed rate to the district if the district either pays or agrees to pay for personal services or permits the individual to perform personal services. The definition does not include volunteers independent contractors or others excluded by law.

Employees qualify to begin earning and accruing sick time on the first day of employment with the district and are eligible to use sick time beginning on the 91st calendar day of employment with the district and may use sick time as it is accrued.

The district employs 10 or more employees and therefore shall allow an eligible employee to access up to 40 hours of paid sick time per year. Paid sick time shall accrue at the rate of at least one hour of paid sick time for every 30 hours the employee works, or 1-1/3 hours for every 40 hours the employee works.

The employee may carry up to 40 hours of unused sick time from one year to the subsequent year. An employee is limited to accruing no more than 80 hours of and using no more than 40 hours of sick time in a year.

Sick time shall be taken in hourly increments and may be used for the employee’s or a family member’s¹ mental or physical illness, injury or health condition, need for medical diagnosis, care or treatment of a mental or physical illness, injury or health condition or need for preventive care, or for reasons consistent with qualifying Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance (PFMLI) or Oregon Family Leave Act (OFLA).

Sick time earned by an employee may also be used for the following reasons:

1. In the event of a public health emergency compliant with Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 653.616;
2. To donate blood in connection with a voluntary program for the donation of blood that is approved or accredited by the American Association of Blood Banks or the American Red Cross; or
3. For leave to address domestic violence, harassment, sexual assault, bias, or stalking under ORS 659A.272 (safe leave).

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Any person may report sexual harassment.

The district processes complaints or reports of sexual harassment under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 342.700 et. al. and federal Title IX laws found in Title 34 C.F.R. Part 106. Individual complaints may require both of these procedures, and may involve additional complaint procedures.

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3. Assault when sexual contact occurs without consent.²

Sexual harassment does not include conduct that is necessary because of a job duty of a school or district staff member or because of a service required to be provided by a contractor, agent, or volunteer, if the conduct is not the product of sexual intent or a person finding another person, or another person's actions, offensive because of that other person's sexual orientation or gender identity.

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Response

Any staff member who becomes aware of behavior that may violate this policy shall immediately report to a district official. The district official (with coordination involving the reporting staff member when appropriate) will take any action necessary to ensure the:

1. Student is protected and to promote a nonhostile learning environment;
2. Staff member is protected and to promote a nonhostile work environment; or
3. Third party who is subjected to the behavior is protected and to promote a nonhostile environment.

This includes providing resources for support measures to the student, staff member or third party who was subjected to the behavior and taking any actions necessary to remove potential future impact on the student, staff member or third party, but are not retaliatory against the student, staff member or third party being harassed or the person who reported to the district official.

Any student or staff member who feels they are a victim of sexual harassment are encouraged to **immediately** report their concerns to district officials, this includes officials such as the principal, compliance officer or superintendent. Students may also report concerns to a teacher, counselor or school nurse, who will promptly notify the appropriate district official.

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Investigation

All reports and complaints about behavior that may violate this policy shall be investigated. The district may use, but is not limited to, the following means for investigating incidents of possible harassment:

1. Interviews with those involved;
2. Interviews with witnesses;
3. Review of video surveillance;
4. Review of written communications, including electronic communications;
5. Review of any physical evidence; and
6. Use of third-party investigator.

The district will use a reasonable person standard when determining whether a hostile environment exists. A hostile environment exists if a reasonable person with similar characteristics and under similar circumstances would consider the conduct to be so severe as to create a hostile environment.

The district may take, but is not limited to, the following procedures and remedial action to address and stop sexual harassment:

1. Discipline of staff and students engaging in sexual harassment;
2. Removal of third parties engaged in sexual harassment;
3. Additional supervision in activities;
4. Additional controls for district electronic systems;
5. Trainings and education for staff and students; and
6. Increased notifications regarding district procedures and resources.

When a student or staff member is harassed by a third party, the district will consider the following:

1. Removing that third party's ability to contract or volunteer with the district, or be present on district property;
2. If the third party works for an entity that contracts with the district, communicating with the third party's employer;
3. If the third party is a student of another district or school, communicate information related to the incident to the other district or school;
4. Limiting attendance at district events; and
5. Providing for additional supervision, including law enforcement if necessary, at district events.

No Retaliation

Retaliation against persons who initiate complaint or otherwise report sexual harassment or who participate in an investigation or other related activities is prohibited. The initiation of a complaint, reporting of behavior, or participation in an investigation, in good faith about behavior that may violate this policy may not adversely affect the:

1. Educational assignments or educational environment of a student or other person initiating the complaint, reporting the behavior, or participating in the investigation; or
2. Any terms or conditions of employment or of work or educational environment of a school or district staff member or other person initiating the complaint, reporting the behavior, or participating in the investigation.

Students who initiate a complaint or otherwise report harassment covered by the policy or who participate in an investigation may not be disciplined for violations of the district's drug and alcohol policies that occurred in connection with the reported prohibited conduct and that were discovered because of the report or investigation, unless the student gave another person alcohol or drugs without the person's knowledge and with the intent of causing the person to become incapacitated and vulnerable to the prohibited conduct.

Notices

When a person³ who may have been affected by this policy files a complaint or otherwise reports behavior that may violate the policy, the district shall provide written notification to the following:

1. Each reporting person;
2. If appropriate, any impacted person who is not a reporting person;
3. Each reported person; and
4. Where applicable, a parent or legal guardian of a reporting person, impacted person, or reported person.

The written notification must include⁴:

1. Name and contact information for all person designated by the district to receive complaints;
2. The rights of the person that the notification is going to;
3. Information about the internal complaint processes available through the school or district that the person who filed the complaint may pursue, including the person designated for the school or district for receiving complaints and any timelines.

³ Student, staff member, or third party, or if applicable, the student or third party's parent. If the person is a minor, the district should consider when to contact the person's parent.

⁴ Remember confidentiality laws when providing any information.

4. Notice that civil and criminal remedies that are not provided by the school or district may be available to the person through the legal system and that those remedies may be subject to statutes of limitation;
5. Information about services available to the student or staff member through the school or district, including any counseling services, nursing services or peer advising;
6. Information about the privacy rights of the person and legally recognized exceptions to those rights for internal complaint processes and services available through the school or district;
7. Information about, and contact information for, services and resources that are available to the person, including but not limited to:
 - a. For the reporting person, state and community-based resources for persons who have experienced sexual harassment; or
 - b. For the reported persons, information about and contact information for state and community-based mental health services.
8. Notice that students who report about possible prohibited conduct and students who participate in an investigation under this policy may not be disciplined for violations of the district's drug and alcohol policies that occurred in connection with the reported prohibited conduct and that were discovered as a result of a prohibited conduct report or investigation unless the student gave another person alcohol or drugs without the person's knowledge and with the intent of causing the person to become incapacitated and vulnerable to the prohibited conduct; and
9. Prohibition of retaliation.

~~Notification, to the extent allowable under state and federal student confidentiality laws, must be provided when the investigation is initiated and concluded. The notification at the conclusion must include whether a violation of the policy was found to have occurred.~~

The notice must:

1. Be written in plain language that is easy to understand;
2. Use print that is of a color, size and font that allows the notification to be easily read; and
3. Be made available to students, students' parents, staff members and members of the public at each office, at the district office and on the website of the school or district.

~~Additionally, notice must be provided to the person who initiated the complaint and, if applicable, the person's parents, when an investigation is initiated and when it is concluded. The notification at the conclusion of the investigation must include whether a violation of the policy was found to have occurred, to the extent allowable under state and federal student confidentiality laws.~~

FEDERAL DEFINITION AND PROCEDURES

Federal Definition

Sexual harassment means conduct on the basis of sex that satisfies one or more of the following:

1. An employee of the district conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the district on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct;
2. Unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the district's education program or activity⁵;
3. "Sexual assault": an offense classified as a forcible or nonforcible sex offense under the uniform crime reporting system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation;
4. "Dating violence": violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim and where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship;
5. "Domestic Violence": felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction; or
6. "Stalking": engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person fear for the person's own safety or the safety of others, or suffer substantial emotional distress.

This definition only applies to sex discrimination occurring against a person who is a subject of this policy in the United States. A district's treatment of a complainant or a respondent in response to a formal complaint of sexual harassment may constitute discrimination on the basis of sex under Title IX.

Federal Procedures

The district will adopt and publish grievance procedures that provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of the student and employee complaints alleging any action that would be prohibited by this policy. See JBA/GBN-AR(2) - Federal Law (Title IX) Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure.

Reporting

Any person may report sexual harassment. This report may be made in person, by mail, by telephone, or by electronic mail, or by any other means that results in the Title IX Coordinator receiving the person's verbal or written report. The report can be made at any time.

The District Athletics & Activities Director is designated as the Title IX Coordinator and can be contacted at 541-842-3838. The Title IX Coordinator will coordinate the district's efforts to comply with its

⁵ "Education program or activity" includes locations, events, or circumstances over which the recipient exercised substantial control over both the respondent and the context in which the sexual harassment occurs." (Title 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(a))

responsibilities related to this AR. The district prominently will display the contact information for the Title IX Coordinator on the district website and in each handbook.

Response

The district will promptly respond to information, allegations or reports of sexual harassment when there is actual knowledge of such harassment, even if a formal complaint has not been filed.⁶ The district shall treat complainants and respondents equitably by providing supportive measures⁷ to the complainant and by following a grievance procedure⁸ prior to imposing any disciplinary sanctions or other actions that are not supportive measures against a respondent. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for coordinating the effective implementation of supportive measures.

The Title IX Coordinator must promptly contact the complainant to discuss the availability of supportive measures, consider the complainant's wishes, with respect to supportive measures, inform the complainant of the availability of supportive measures with or without the filing of a formal complaint, and explain to the complainant the process for filing a formal complaint.⁹

If after an individualized safety and risk analysis, it is determined that there is an immediate threat to the physical health or safety of any person, an emergency removal of the respondent can take place.¹⁰ The district must provide the respondent with notice and an opportunity to challenge the decision immediately following the removal. A non-student employee may also be placed on non-disciplinary administrative leave pending the grievance process.

Notice

The district shall provide notice to all applicants for admission and employment, students, parents or legal guardians, employees, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with the district of the following:

1. The name or title, office address, electronic mail address, and telephone number of the Title IX Coordinator(s);

⁶ (Title 34 C.F.R. §106.44(a)) Response cannot be deliberately indifferent. A recipient is deliberately indifferent only if its response to sexual harassment is clearly unreasonable in light of the known circumstances.

⁷ (Title 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(a)) Supportive measures means non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without fee or charge to the complainant or the respondent before or after the filing of a formal complaint or where no formal complaint has been filed. Such measures are designed to restore or preserve equal access to the recipient's education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party, including measures designed to protect the safety of all parties or the district's educational environment, or deter sexual harassment. The district must maintain as confidential any supportive measures provided to the complainant or respondent, to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the recipient to provide supportive measures. (Title 34 C.F.R. § 99.30(a))

⁸ This grievance procedure must meet the requirements of Title 34 C.F.R. § 106.45 (included in accompanying administrative regulation, see JBA/GBN-AR(2) - Federal Law (Title IX) Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure).

⁹ The Title IX Coordinator may also discuss that the Title IX Coordinator has the ability to file a formal complaint.

¹⁰ The district may still have obligations under Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). (Title 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(c))

2. That the district does not discriminate on the basis of sex in the education program or activity that it operates, as required by Title IX. This includes admissions and employment; and
3. The grievance procedure and process, how to file a formal complaint of sex discrimination or sexual harassment, and how the district will respond.

Inquiries about the application to Title IX and its requirements may be referred to the Title IX Coordinator or the Assistant Secretary¹¹, or both.

No Retaliation

Neither the district or any person may retaliate¹² against an individual for reporting, testifying, providing evidence, being a complainant, otherwise participating or refusing to participate in any investigation or process in accordance with this procedure. The district must keep confidential the identity of parties and participating persons, except as disclosure is allowed under Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), as required by law, or to carry out the proceedings herein. Complaints of retaliation may be filed using these procedures.

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END OF POLICY

¹¹ Of the United States Department of Education.

¹² Retaliation includes, but is not limited to, intimidation, threats, coercion, and discrimination.

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[ORS 243.706](#)
[ORS 332.107](#)
[ORS 342.700](#)
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Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683 (2018); Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance, 34 C.F.R. Part 106 (2020).

[Bartsch v. Elkton School District, FDA-13-011 \(March 27, 2014\).](#)

Davis v. Monroe County Bd. of Educ., 526 U.S. 629 (1999).

Gebser v. Lago Vista Indep. Sch. Dist., 524 U.S. 274 (1998).

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2. If the third party works for an entity that contracts with the district, communicating with the third party's employer;
3. If the third party is a student of another district or school, communicate information related to the incident to the other district or school;
4. Limiting attendance at district events; and
5. Providing for additional supervision, including law enforcement if necessary, at district events.

No Retaliation

Retaliation against persons who initiate complaint or otherwise report sexual harassment or who participate in an investigation or other related activities is prohibited. The initiation of a complaint, reporting of behavior, or participation in an investigation, in good faith about behavior that may violate this policy may not adversely affect the:

1. Educational assignments or educational environment of a student or other person initiating the complaint, reporting the behavior, or participating in the investigation; or
2. Any terms or conditions of employment or of work or educational environment of a school or district staff member or other person initiating the complaint, reporting the behavior, or participating in the investigation.

Students who initiate a complaint or otherwise report harassment covered by the policy or who participate in an investigation may not be disciplined for violations of the district's drug and alcohol policies that occurred in connection with the reported prohibited conduct and that were discovered because of the report or investigation, unless the student gave another person alcohol or drugs without the person's knowledge and with the intent of causing the person to become incapacitated and vulnerable to the prohibited conduct.

Notices

When a person³ who may have been affected by this policy files a complaint or otherwise reports behavior that may violate the policy, the district shall provide written notification to the following:

1. Each reporting person;
2. If appropriate, any impacted person who is not a reporting person;
3. Each reported person; and
4. Where applicable, a parent or legal guardian of a reporting person, impacted person, or reported person.

The written notification must include⁴:

1. Name and contact information for all person designated by the district to receive complaints;
2. The rights of the person that the notification is going to;
3. Information about the internal complaint processes available through the school or district that the person who filed the complaint may pursue, including the person designated for the school or district for receiving complaints and any timelines.

³ Student, staff member, or third party, or if applicable, the student or third party's parent. If the person is a minor, the district should consider when to contact the person's parent.

⁴ Remember confidentiality laws when providing any information.

4. Notice that civil and criminal remedies that are not provided by the school or district may be available to the person through the legal system and that those remedies may be subject to statutes of limitation;
5. Information about services available to the student or staff member through the school or district, including any counseling services, nursing services or peer advising;
6. Information about the privacy rights of the person and legally recognized exceptions to those rights for internal complaint processes and services available through the school or district;
7. Information about, and contact information for, services and resources that are available to the person, including but not limited to:
 - a. For the reporting person, state and community-based resources for persons who have experienced sexual harassment; or
 - b. For the reported persons, information about and contact information for state and community-based mental health services.
8. Notice that students who report about possible prohibited conduct and students who participate in an investigation under this policy may not be disciplined for violations of the district's drug and alcohol policies that occurred in connection with the reported prohibited conduct and that were discovered as a result of a prohibited conduct report or investigation unless the student gave another person alcohol or drugs without the person's knowledge and with the intent of causing the person to become incapacitated and vulnerable to the prohibited conduct; and
9. Prohibition of retaliation.

The notice must:

1. Be written in plain language that is easy to understand;
2. Use print that is of a color, size and font that allows the notification to be easily read; and
3. Be made available to students, students' parents, staff members and members of the public at each office, at the district office and on the website of the school or district.

FEDERAL DEFINITION AND PROCEDURES

Federal Definition

Sexual harassment means conduct on the basis of sex that satisfies one or more of the following:

1. An employee of the district conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the district on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct;

2. Unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the district's education program or activity⁵;
3. "Sexual assault": an offense classified as a forcible or nonforcible sex offense under the uniform crime reporting system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation;
4. "Dating violence": violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim and where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship;
5. "Domestic Violence": felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction; or
6. "Stalking": engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person fear for the person's own safety or the safety of others, or suffer substantial emotional distress.

This definition only applies to sex discrimination occurring against a person who is a subject of this policy in the United States. A district's treatment of a complainant or a respondent in response to a formal complaint of sexual harassment may constitute discrimination on the basis of sex under Title IX.

Federal Procedures

The district will adopt and publish grievance procedures that provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of the student and employee complaints alleging any action that would be prohibited by this policy. See JBA/GBN-AR(2) - Federal Law (Title IX) Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure.

Reporting

Any person may report sexual harassment. This report may be made in person, by mail, by telephone, or by electronic mail, or by any other means that results in the Title IX Coordinator receiving the person's verbal or written report. The report can be made at any time.

The District Athletics & Activities Director is designated as the Title IX Coordinator and can be contacted at 541-842-3838. The Title IX Coordinator will coordinate the district's efforts to comply with its responsibilities related to this AR. The district prominently will display the contact information for the Title IX Coordinator on the district website and in each handbook.

⁵ "Education program or activity" includes locations, events, or circumstances over which the recipient exercised substantial control over both the respondent and the context in which the sexual harassment occurs." (Title 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(a))

Response

The district will promptly respond to information, allegations or reports of sexual harassment when there is actual knowledge of such harassment, even if a formal complaint has not been filed.⁶ The district shall treat complainants and respondents equitably by providing supportive measures⁷ to the complainant and by following a grievance procedure⁸ prior to imposing any disciplinary sanctions or other actions that are not supportive measures against a respondent. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for coordinating the effective implementation of supportive measures.

The Title IX Coordinator must promptly contact the complainant to discuss the availability of supportive measures, consider the complainant's wishes, with respect to supportive measures, inform the complainant of the availability of supportive measures with or without the filing of a formal complaint, and explain to the complainant the process for filing a formal complaint.⁹

If after an individualized safety and risk analysis, it is determined that there is an immediate threat to the physical health or safety of any person, an emergency removal of the respondent can take place.¹⁰ The district must provide the respondent with notice and an opportunity to challenge the decision immediately following the removal. A non-student employee may also be placed on non-disciplinary administrative leave pending the grievance process.

Notice

The district shall provide notice to all applicants for admission and employment, students, parents or legal guardians, employees, and all unions or professional organizations holding collective bargaining or professional agreements with the district of the following:

1. The name or title, office address, electronic mail address, and telephone number of the Title IX Coordinator(s);
2. That the district does not discriminate on the basis of sex in the education program or activity that it operates, as required by Title IX. This includes admissions and employment; and

⁶ (Title 34 C.F.R. §106.44(a)) Response cannot be deliberately indifferent. A recipient is deliberately indifferent only if its response to sexual harassment is clearly unreasonable in light of the known circumstances.

⁷ (Title 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(a)) Supportive measures means non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without fee or charge to the complainant or the respondent before or after the filing of a formal complaint or where no formal complaint has been filed. Such measures are designed to restore or preserve equal access to the recipient's education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party, including measures designed to protect the safety of all parties or the district's educational environment, or deter sexual harassment. The district must maintain as confidential any supportive measures provided to the complainant or respondent, to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the recipient to provide supportive measures. (Title 34 C.F.R. § 99.30(a))

⁸ This grievance procedure must meet the requirements of Title 34 C.F.R. § 106.45 (included in accompanying administrative regulation, see JBA/GBN-AR(2) - Federal Law (Title IX) Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure).

⁹ The Title IX Coordinator may also discuss that the Title IX Coordinator has the ability to file a formal complaint.

¹⁰ The district may still have obligations under Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). (Title 34 C.F.R. § 106.44(c))

3. The grievance procedure and process, how to file a formal complaint of sex discrimination or sexual harassment, and how the district will respond.

Inquiries about the application to Title IX and its requirements may be referred to the Title IX Coordinator or the Assistant Secretary¹¹, or both.

No Retaliation

Neither the district or any person may retaliate¹² against an individual for reporting, testifying, providing evidence, being a complainant, otherwise participating or refusing to participate in any investigation or process in accordance with this procedure. The district must keep confidential the identity of parties and participating persons, except as disclosure is allowed under Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), as required by law, or to carry out the proceedings herein. Complaints of retaliation may be filed using these procedures.

Charging an individual with a code of conduct violation for making a materially false statement in bad faith in the course of a grievance proceeding does not constitute retaliation.

Publication

This policy shall be made available to students, parents of students and staff members. This policy and contact information for the Title IX Coordinator shall be prominently published in the school student handbook and on the district website. This policy shall also be made available at each school office and at the district office. The district shall post this policy on a sign in all grade 6 through 12 schools, on a sign that is at least 8.5 inches by 11 inches in size. A copy of the policy will be made available to any person upon request.

END OF POLICY

¹¹ Of the United States Department of Education.

¹² Retaliation includes, but is not limited to, intimidation, threats, coercion, and discrimination.

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 243.706](#)
[ORS 332.107](#)
[ORS 342.700](#)
[ORS 342.704](#)
[ORS 342.708](#)

[ORS 342.850](#)
[ORS 342.865](#)
[ORS 659.850](#)
[ORS 659A.006](#)
[ORS 659A.029](#)

[ORS 659A.030](#)
[OAR 581-021-0038](#)
[OAR 584-020-0040](#)
[OAR 584-020-0041](#)

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d (2018).

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e (2018).

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683 (2018); Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance, 34 C.F.R. Part 106 (2020).

Bartsch v. Elkton School District, FDA-13-011 (March 27, 2014).

Davis v. Monroe County Bd. of Educ., 526 U.S. 629 (1999).

Gebser v. Lago Vista Indep. Sch. Dist., 524 U.S. 274 (1998).

Medford School District 549C

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Public Records Request**

A request to inspect or receive a copy of a public record shall be ~~in writing and will be presented to the superintendent's office~~ submitted electronically using the public records request form available on the district's website by selecting the Public Records Request link. Individuals who need assistance submitting a request may contact the Public Records Officer at Superintendent.Office@medford.k12.or.us.

A “public record” includes any writing that contains information relating to the conduct of the public’s business, prepared, owned, used or retained by the district regardless of physical form or characteristics, unless otherwise exempted by law.¹ “Writing” means handwriting, typewriting, printing, photographing and every means of recording, including letters, words, pictures, sounds, or symbols or combination thereof and all papers, maps, files, facsimiles or electronic recordings. Public record does not include any writing that does not relate to the conduct of the public’s business and that is contained on a privately owned computer.²

The Board’s official minutes, its written policies and its financial records will be available at the superintendent’s office for inspection by any citizen desiring to examine them during hours when the superintendent’s office is open. All such information will be made available to individuals with disabilities in an accessible format upon request and with appropriate advanced notice. Auxiliary aids and services available to ensure equally effective communications to qualified persons with disabilities may include large print, Braille, audio recordings, readers, assistance in locating materials or other equally effective accommodations.

The Board supports the right of the people to know about programs and services of their schools and will make reasonable efforts to disseminate information. Each principal is authorized to use available means to keep parents and others in the particular school’s community informed about the school’s program and activities.

The Board reserves the right to establish a fee schedule which will reasonably reimburse the district for the actual cost of making public records available pursuant to law. The district will not be obligated to complete a request for which the requester has not paid the fee as permitted by state law. There will be no additional charge for auxiliary aids and services provided for persons with disabilities.

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The district will not disclose the identification badge or card of an employee without the employee's written consent if the badge or card contains the employee's photograph and the badge or card was prepared solely for internal use by the district to identify district employees. A duplicate of the photograph used on the badge or card shall not be disclosed.

The district shall not, in accordance with state law, disclose personal information for the purpose of enforcement of federal immigration laws.

The district shall retain and maintain its public records in accordance with Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 166-005-0010 and Chapter, Division 400 and ORS Chapter 192.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 180.805](#)

[ORS Chapter 192](#)

[OAR 137-004-0800\(1\)](#)

[OAR 166-005-0010](#)

[OAR 166-400](#)

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213 (2018); 29 C.F.R. Part 1630 (2021); 28 C.F.R. Part 35 (2021).

OREGON DEP'T OF JUSTICE, OREGON ATTORNEY GENERAL, *Public Records and Meetings Manual*.

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Medford School District

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Immigration Enforcement on District Property

{House Bill 4079 (2026) requires districts to “adopt a policy for providing notice when a federal immigration authority is confirmed to have entered school property for immigration enforcement.” This policy must be “consistent with applicable model policies published by the Attorney General as provided by ORS 180.810.”}

The district complies with state and federal law, including Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 180.805 and ORS 181.826, and this policy and accompanying administrative regulations KNA-AR(1) – Interactions with Immigration Enforcement and KNA-AR(2) – Federal Immigration Enforcement Request Log when responding to requests from federal immigration authorities regarding immigration enforcement.

This policy will be made available in the student handbook and on the district’s website¹.

Designation of Primary Point of Contact

The **Director of Security** {²} is the primary point of contact for coordinating interactions with federal immigration authorities occurring in the district (“immigration liaison” {³}). The **Chief Communications Officer** shall serve as an alternative point of contact during the immigration liaison’s absence or unavailability (“alternate immigration liaison”).

The immigration liaison’s responsibilities include:

1. Serving as the district’s representative during encounters with federal immigration authorities;
2. Confirming when federal immigration authorities have entered school property for immigration enforcement purposes;
3. Ensuring federal immigration authorities engaging in enforcement activities at the district have notice of relevant district policies: JO/IGBAB – Education Records/Records of Students with Disabilities, JOA – Directory Information, JOB – Personally Identifiable Information and this policy;
4. Assisting staff in performing their duties in response to immigration enforcement efforts, including ensuring compliance with all district policies and procedures related to interactions with federal immigration authorities and immigration enforcement efforts;

¹ Must be provided in culturally appropriate languages that are used to communicate effectively with parents and guardians of students in the district, as determined by the Board.

² {House Bill 4079 (2026) requires the policy to “identify at least one administrator” for this purpose. The Board should consider whether a single administrator is sufficient for the district, or whether multiple administrators should be designated.}

³ {The district can choose any title to use for this individual and should use it throughout this policy.}

5. Reviewing and responding to requests from federal immigration authorities, in coordination with, and under the direction of, the superintendent or designee;
6. Facilitating the district's compliance with lawful immigration enforcement efforts in a manner that does not unnecessarily disrupt the school environment or invade the privacy of students, staff, or volunteers;
7. Providing notice as required in this policy when a federal immigration authority has been confirmed to have entered school property for immigration enforcement.

Required Notice

When a federal immigration authority is reported to have entered school property for the purpose of immigration enforcement the immigration liaison shall confirm whether federal immigration authorities have entered school property for immigration enforcement and when confirmed, shall provide notice as follows:

1. Notice must be provided to:
 - a. Students who attend the school where the federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement and who are in grades 6 and above;
 - b. Parents or guardians of students attending the school where the federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement;
 - c. Staff of the school where the federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement; and
 - d. Community-based service providers that have requested to receive notice when a federal immigration authority is confirmed to be on school property for immigration enforcement. Community-based service providers can request to receive such notifications by contacting the [Chief Communications Officer](#) at the district office.
2. Notice must include:
 - a. The general location of the federal immigration authority; and
 - b. Whether classes or school operations were affected by the presence of the federal immigration authority.
3. Notice must not disclose:
 - a. Personally identifiable information;
 - b. Other information that may not be legally disclosed; or
 - c. Other information when the disclosure may threaten the health or safety of students or staff of the district or is prohibited by a court order.

The required notice will be provided as expediently as possible using existing methods used for providing electronic communications.

Unless otherwise prohibited by law or court order, the district will make reasonable efforts to provide notice to a student, or to the parent or guardian of a student, when the district has provided information related to the student to a federal immigration authority.

Confidentiality of School Records

Except when required by a judicially authorized warrant, subpoena, or order, Oregon law prohibits the district from disclosing protected information to federal immigration authorities for the purpose of enforcing federal immigration laws.

Staff must also maintain the confidentiality of school records and other information about students, staff, and volunteers when communicating with other students, parents, or community members about immigration enforcement activities involving students, staff, or volunteers of the district or occurring on district property. Staff should direct anyone with questions about immigration enforcement activities occurring on district property to the immigration liaison.

Training

The district will provide the immigration liaison and alternate immigration liaison with training as follows:

1. The training must include information on the requirements of House Bill 4079 (2026), any applicable model policies published by the Attorney General, and this policy; and
2. The training must be provided at the time of designation and at least once every two years thereafter.

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[ORS 181.826](#)
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Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (2012); Family Educational Rights and Privacy, 34 C.F.R. Part 99 (2017).

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