



RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Equal Educational Opportunities

The River Valley School District is committed and dedicated to the task of providing the best education possible for every student in the district for as long as the student can benefit from attendance and the student's conduct is compatible with the welfare of the entire student body.

The right of the student to be admitted to school and to participate fully in curricular, extracurricular, student services, recreational or other programs or activities shall not be abridged or impaired because of a student's sex, race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, handicap or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

Complaints regarding the interpretation or application of this policy shall be referred to the building principal/unit leader and processed in accordance with established procedures.

Students who have been identified as having a handicap or disability, under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act or the Americans with Disabilities Act, shall be provided with reasonable accommodations in educational services or programs. Students may be considered handicapped or disabled even if they are not covered under the district's special education policies and procedures.

The district will provide for the reasonable accommodation of a student's sincerely held religious beliefs with regard to examinations and other academic requirements. Requests for accommodations shall be made in writing and approved by the building principal. Accommodations may include, but not necessarily be limited to, being excluded from participation in an activity, alternative assignments, released time from school to participate in religious activities and opportunities to make up work missed due to religious observances. Any accommodations granted under this policy shall be provided to students without prejudicial effect.

Notice of this policy and its accompanying complaint procedures shall be published annually in the *Home News* and posted in each school building in the district. In addition, a student nondiscrimination statement shall be included in student and staff handbooks, course selection handbooks and other published materials distributed to the public describing school activities and opportunities.

LEGAL REF.: Section 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes
 PI 9 and 41 Wisconsin Administrative Code
 Title IX, Education Amendments of 1972
 Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964
 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990
 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
 Civil Rights Act of 1991

CROSS REF.: Policy #411-Rule - Discrimination Complaint Procedures

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