Policy 401  EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide equal employment opportunity for all applicants for school district employment and school district employees.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

A. The policy of the school district is to provide equal employment opportunity for all applicants and employees. The school district does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, disability, age, family care leave status or veteran status. The school district also makes reasonable accommodations for disabled employees.

[Note: The Minnesota Human Rights Act defines “sexual orientation” to include “having or being perceived as having a self-image or identity not traditionally associated with one’s biological maleness or femaleness.” Minn. Stat. § 363A.03, Subd. 44.]

B. The school district prohibits the harassment of any individual for any of the categories listed above. For information about the types of conduct that constitute impermissible harassment and the school district’s internal procedures for addressing complaints of harassment, please refer to the school district’s policy on harassment and violence.

C. This policy applies to all areas of employment including job application procedures, hiring, advancement, discharge, compensation, job training and other terms, conditions and privileges of employment.

D. Every school district employee shall be responsible for following this policy.

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Legal References:
Minn. Stat. Ch. 363A (Minnesota Human Rights Act)
29 U.S.C. § 621 et. seq. (Age Discrimination in Employment Act)
29 U.S.C. § 2615 (Family and Medical Leave Act)
38 U.S.C. § 4301 et seq. (Employment and Reemployment Rights of Members of the Uniformed Services)
38 U.S.C. § 4211 et. seq. (Employment and Training of Veterans)
42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq. (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act)
42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq. (Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disabilities)

Cross References:
MSBA/MASA Policy 402 (Disability Nondiscrimination)
MSBA/MASA Policy 405 (Veteran’s Preference)
MSBA/MASA Policy 413 (Harassment and Violence)