



## MINERAL POINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 411

### EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Mineral Point School District is committed to an equal educational opportunity for all students in the district.

It is the policy of the Mineral Point School District, that no person on the basis of sex, race, national origin, ancestry, religion, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability, may be denied admission to any school in this district or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational or other program.

This policy also prohibits discrimination under related federal statutes, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (race and national origin), Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (sex) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (handicap).

It is the policy of the Mineral Point Unified School District to provide a free and appropriate public education to each handicapped and disabled student within its jurisdiction, regardless of the nature or severity of the handicap.

It is the intent of the district to ensure that students who are handicapped within the definition of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) are identified, evaluated and provided with appropriate educational services. Each building's Student Service Team will be utilized to identify and evaluate students and develop accommodation plans if needed. Students may be handicapped or disabled under this policy even though they do not require services pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Due process rights of handicapped and disabled students and their parents under federal law will be enforced. The Multi-Disciplinary Team Coordinator is the coordinator of Section 504 Activities.

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It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent to examine existing policies and develop new policies where needed to ensure that the Mineral Point School Board does not discriminate pursuant to federal and state law. The superintendent shall be designated annually to receive complaints filed under s.118.13, Wisconsin Statutes., PI-9, Wisconsin Admin. Code Title IX of the Education Amendments, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The superintendent shall assure adoption of a complaint procedure to resolve complaints alleging violation of these laws, assure that an evaluation of the district's compliance with s.118.13, Wisconsin Statutes is completed every five years under PI-9, Wisconsin Admin. Code and submit form PI-1197 to the Department of Public Instruction annually.

Notice of this policy and its accompanying complaint procedures shall be published at the beginning of each school year 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 Reference: Subchapter V of Chapter 115 Wisconsin Statutes Section 118.13

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 Educational Act

Civil Rights Act of 1991

Cross Reference: 411-Rule Discrimination Complaint Procedures

411-Exhibit (1) Discrimination Complaint Form

411-Exhibit (2) Acknowledgement of Receipt of Determination

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