

SECTION 555 PUPIL NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Portage Community School District is committed to equal educational opportunity for all students in the district.

- A. Pursuant to Section 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes, the following procedures are prescribed:
1. No person, on the basis of sex, race, national origin, ancestry, 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.
 2. No person, on the basis of sex, race, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability, may be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational, or other program.
- B. 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).
- C. It shall be the responsibility of the Director of Special Education to examine existing policies and develop new policies where needed to ensure that the Portage Community School District does not discriminate pursuant to federal and state law. The Director of Special Education shall ensure that an employee is designated to receive complaints filed under s. 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes PI 9, Wisconsin Administrative Code, Title IX of the Education Amendments, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.
- D. The Director of Special Education 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 Administrative Code and submit Form PI-1197 to the Department of Public Instruction annually.

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