Perris Union HSD

Administrative Regulation

Sexual Harassment

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| SEXUAL HARASSMENT | 4319.11 |

Personnel

This administrative regulation shall apply to all allegations of sexual harassment involving employees, interns, volunteers, and job applicants, but shall not be used to resolve any complaint by or against a student.

Definitions

Prohibited sexual harassment includes, but is not limited to, unwelcome sexual advances, unwanted requests for sexual favors, or other unwanted verbal, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature made against another person of the same or opposite sex in the work or educational setting when: (Education Code 212.5; Government Code 12940; 52 CCR 491611034)

- 1.- Submission to the conduct is made explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of the individual's employment.
- 2.- Submission to or rejection of such the conduct by the individual is used as the basis for an employment decision affecting him/her the individual.
- 3. The conduct has the purpose or effect of having a negative impact upon the individual's work or has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work environment. Regardless of whether or not the alleged harasser was motivated by sexual desire, the conduct is sufficiently severe, persistent, pervasive, or objectively offensive as to create a hostile or abusive working environment or to limit the individual's ability to participate in or benefit from an education program or activity.
- 4. Submission to or rejection of the conduct by the other individual is used as the basis for any decision affecting him/herthe individual regarding benefits, services, honors, programs, or activities available at or through the district.

Other examples Prohibited sexual harassment also includes conduct which, regardless of whether or not it is motivated by sexual desire, is so severe or pervasive as to unreasonably interfere with the victim's work performance or create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work environment.

<u>Examples</u> of actions that might constitute sexual harassment in the work or educational setting, whether committed by a supervisor, a co-worker, or a non-employee, in the work or educational setting include, but are not limited to:

1.-___Unwelcome verbal conduct such as sexual flirtations or propositions; graphic comments about an individual's body; overly personal conversations or pressure for sexual activity;

sexual jokes or stories; unwelcome sexual slurs, epithets, threats, innuendoes, derogatory comments, sexually degrading descriptions, or the spreading of sexual rumors

- 2.-___Unwelcome visual conduct such as drawings, pictures, graffiti, or gestures; sexually explicit emails; displaying sexually suggestive objects
- 3.-___Unwelcome physical conduct such as massaging, grabbing, fondling, stroking, or brushing the body; touching an individual's body or clothes in a sexual way; cornering, blocking, leaning over, or impeding normal movements

Training

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all employees receive training regarding the district's sexual harassment policies when hired and periodically thereafter. Such The training shall include how to recognize prohibited or harassing conduct, the procedures for reporting and/or filing complaints involving an employee, employees' duty to use the district's complaint procedures, and employee obligations when a sexual harassment report involving a student is made to the employee. The training shall also include information about processes for employees to informally share or obtain information about harassment without filing a complaint.

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(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)
(cf. 4031 - Complaints Concerning Discrimination (cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment)
(cf. 5145.7 - Sexual Harassment)
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Every two years, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that supervisory employees receive at least two hours of classroom or other effective interactive training and education regarding sexual harassment. All such newly hired or promoted employees shall receive training within six months of their assumption of the new position. (Government Code 12950.1)

A supervisory employee is any employee with having the authority, in the interest of the district, to hire, transfer, suspend, lay off, promote, discharge, assign, reward, or discipline other employees, or to effectively recommend such action, the responsibility to direct them, adjust their grievances, or effectively recommend such action, when the exercise of the authority is not of a merely routine or clerical nature, but requires the use of independent judgment. (Government Code 12926)

(cf. 4300 - Administrative and Supervisory Personnel)

The district's sexual harassment training and education program for supervisory employees shall be aimed at assisting them in preventing and effectively responding to incidents of sexual harassment, as well as implementing mechanisms to promptly address and correct wrongful behavior. The training shall include, but is not limited to, the provision of following: (Government Code 12950.1; 2 CCR 1102311024)

- 1.-____Information and practical guidance regarding federal and state laws on the prohibition against and the prevention and correction of sexual harassment, and the remedies available to the sexual harassment victims in civil actions, and potential district and/or individual exposure or liability
- 2. The types of conduct that constitute sexual harassment in employment

- 2. Practical and practical examples aimed at instructing supervisors in the prevention of which illustrate sexual harassment, discrimination, and retaliation using training modalities 3. A component on the such as role plays, case studies, and group discussions, based on factual scenarios taken from case law, news and media accounts, and hypotheticals based on workplace situations and other sources
- 3. A supervisor's obligation to report sexual harassment, discrimination, and retaliation of which he/she becomes aware and what to do if the supervisor himself/herself is personally accused of harassment
- 4. Strategies for preventing harassment, discrimination, and retaliation and appropriate steps to ensure that remedial measures are taken to correct harassing behavior, including an effective process for investigation of a complaint
- 5. The essential elements of the district's anti-harassment policy, including the limited confidentiality of the complaint process and resources for victims of unlawful sexual harassment, such as to whom they should report any alleged sexual harassment, and how to use the policy if a harassment complaint is filed
- 6. A copy of the district's sexual harassment policy and administrative regulation, which each participant shall acknowledge in writing that he/she has received
- 7. The definition and prevention of abusive conduct that addresses the use of derogatory remarks, insults, or epithets, other verbal or physical conduct that a reasonable person would find threatening, intimidating, or humiliating, and the gratuitous sabotage or undermining of a person's work performance
- 4. A copy of the district's sexual harassment policy and administrative regulation, which each participant shall acknowledge in writing that he/she has received
- 5. All other contents of mandated training specified in 2 CCR 11023
- 8. Practical examples of harassment based on gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation

The Superintendent or designee shall retain for at least two years the records of any training provided to supervisory employees. Such records shall include the names of trained employees, date of the training, the type of training, and the name of the training provider. (2 CCR 1102311024)

Notifications

A copy of the Board policy and this administrative regulation shall: (Education Code 231.5)

1.-____Be displayed in a prominent location in the main administrative building, district office, or other area of the school where notices of district rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct are posted

2.-____Be provided to every district employee at the beginning of the first quarter or semester of the school year or whenever a new employee is hired

(cf. 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 - Employee Notifications)

3.-___Appear in any school or district publication that sets forth the school's or district's comprehensive rules, regulations, procedures, and standards of conduct

All employees shall receive <u>either</u> a copy of <u>an information sheets sheet</u> prepared by the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) or <u>a copy of the</u> district <u>information sheets</u> that <u>contain contains</u>, at a minimum, components on: (Government Code 12950)

- 1.- The illegality of sexual harassment
- 2.-____The definition of sexual harassment under applicable state and federal law
- 3.-____A description of sexual harassment, with examples
- 4.- The district's complaint process available to the employee
- 5.-____The -legal -remedies -and -complaint -process -available -through -DFEH -and -the -Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)
- 6.- Directions on how to contact DFEH and the EEOC
- 7.- The protection against retaliation provided by 2 CCR 11021 for opposing harassment prohibited by law or for filing a complaint with or otherwise participating in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing conducted by DFEH and the EEOC

In addition, the district shall post, in a prominent and accessible location, <u>DFEH'sthe DFEH</u> poster on discrimination in employment and the illegality of sexual harassment and the <u>DFEH poster regarding transgender rights</u>. (Government Code 12950)

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