SEXUAL HARASSMENT

The Board of Trustees prohibits sexual harassment of district employees and job applicants. The Board also prohibits retaliatory behavior or action against district employees or other persons who complain, testify or otherwise participate in the complaint process established pursuant to this policy and administrative regulation.

The Superintendent or designee shall take all actions necessary to ensure the prevention, investigation, and correction of sexual harassment, including but not limited to:

- 1. Providing training to employees in accordance with law and administrative regulation
- 2. Publicizing and disseminating the District's sexual harassment policy to staff

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

- 3. Ensuring prompt, thorough, and fair investigation of complaints
- 4. Taking timely and appropriate corrective/remedial action(s), which may require interim separation of the complainant and the alleged harasser and subsequent monitoring of developments

All complaints and allegations of sexual harassment shall be kept confidential to the extent permitted by law. (5 CCR 4964)

Any district employee or job applicant who feels that they have has been sexually harassed or who has knowledge of any incident of sexual harassment by or against another employee, a job applicant or a student, shall immediately report the incident to their supervisor, the principal, district administrator or Uniform Complaint Officer/Title IX Coordinator. The District's Title IX Coordinator is:

Rich Montgomery

Assistant Superintendent, Human Resource Services, Grades 6-12, K-8, Alternative Education

33122 Valle Road, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92677 rjmontgomery@capousd.org

Complaints of sexual harassment in violation of Title IX shall be filed and investigated in accordance with AR 4119.11. All other complaints of sexual harassment shall be filed in accordance with AR 4031 - Complaints Concerning Discrimination in Employment. An employee may bypass their supervisor in filing a complaint where the supervisor is the subject

of the complaint.

(cf. 4031 - Complaints Concerning Discrimination in Employment)

Any district employee who engages or participates in sexual harassment or who aids, abets, incites, compels, or coerces another to commit sexual harassment against a district employee, job applicant, or student is in violation of this policy and is subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

(cf. 4118 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action) (cf. 4218 - Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action

Legal Reference: EDUCATION

CODE

200-262.4 Prohibition of discrimination on the basis of sex

GOVERNMENT CODE

12900-12996 Fair Employment and Housing Act, especially:

12940 Prohibited discrimination

12950.1 Sexual harassment training

LABOR CODE

1101 Political activities of employees

1102.1 Discrimination: sexual orientation

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2

7287.8 Retaliation

7288.0 Sexual harassment training and education

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

 $4900\text{-}4965\ \ Nondiscrimination\ in\ elementary\ and\ secondary\ education\ programs\ receiving\ state\ financial$

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UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42

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2000h-2-2000h-6 Title IX, 1972 Education Act Amendments

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106.9 Dissemination of policy

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