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# DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

August 30, 2014

Dear Portland Public Substitute Teachers:

On behalf of the Board Members, Superintendent and the staff of Portland Public Schools, we welcome you. The role of the substitute teacher is a valued and challenging one, and one that brings many rewards. With increased expectations for schools to raise the achievement bar for every single child, maximizing each day of a student's education is an absolute imperative. The services of a dependable, well-prepared substitute are essential to providing continuity in student academic achievement. We are delighted you accepted this opportunity to assist in the growth and success of Portland's greatest asset – its students.

This handbook, along with assistance from school principals and classroom teachers, will enable you to make an important contribution to the instructional program for students. In addition, it will help you understand your other key responsibilities as a Substitute Teacher, while maintaining a safe, attractive, and supportive educational environment for the students entrusted in your care. The handbook is just one of the ways we will work to support you during your time with us.

We are pleased that you have chosen to join the rest of the staff in their efforts to fulfill the mission of the Portland Public Schools. Have a great year!

Sincerely,

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Michelle Riddell Assistant Chief Human Resources Officer

# Important Contact Information

Portland Public Schools District Office	
Health and Welfare Trust503-454-3873	
Human Resources	
PAT (Portland Association of Teachers)	
Payroll	
IT Help Desk	
PPS Insideinside.pps.k12.or.us Portland Public Schools Website	
Aesop	
Aesop Online	
Open Phone Hours 7:00 AM - 9:30 AM 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	
Substitute Teacher Web page	
Teachers Standard and Practices Commission (TSPC)	
Workers Compensation/Risk Management	
Professional Library	
Google Maps	
Tri-met	l

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## MULTNOMAH COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS 501 N. DIXON STREET Portland, Oregon 97227

## JOB DESCRIPTION – SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

#### **DISTRICT MISSION:**

Our mission at PPS is that by the end of elementary, middle and high school every student by name is meeting or exceeding academic standards and is fully prepared to make productive life decisions.

Our employees' highest priority is to support the work in our schools every day. We want our students to be prepared to succeed, not just at each grade, but for a future beyond our schools: college, careers and fulfilling lives as good parents, neighbors and members of the community.

The District is focused on deepening our understanding of institutionalized racism and its impact on student learning, and providing support for leading systemic equity transformation initiatives in the district and schools.

#### **Position Summary:**

The Substitute Teacher performs under the supervision of a principal or other designated supervisor, and has the responsibility to continue the instructional program according to the directions left by the absent teacher. The Substitute Teacher functions in accordance with PPS policies, rules and regulations and the performance standards of the District.

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- 1. Implements instructions left by the absent teacher while ensuring the integrity of academic time.
- 2. Confers with the principal or designated supervisor concerning the completion of any reports that may be necessary.
- 3. Models and instructs students appropriately in citizenship and interpersonal relationships and responsibilities.
- 4. Provides instruction, organization, and management in the classroom, which creates an environment conducive to learning.
- 5. Supervises classified employees who are assigned to assist the absent teacher.
- 6. Responsible for student supervision, guidance, development, and safety.
- 7. Displays judgment that supports professional standards of conduct.
- 8. Communicates with the absent teacher by telephone or in writing.
- 9. Completes and maintains records of student attendance and performance.
- 10. Maintains school property.
- 11. Observes the specified length of day.
- 12. Keeps abreast of the developments in education through professional reading, and by attendance at institutes and other educational meetings.
- 13. Performs other reasonably related duties as assigned.

## **Minimum Qualifications:**

# Credential – Must hold an active Oregon Teaching license with a specific endorsement from the Teachers Standards and Practices Commission.

No employee or applicant for employment shall be subjected to discrimination because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, or sexual orientation. School District 1-J complies with the Immigration Reform and Contract Act of 1985 (IRCA) as amended and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1991.

# **General Information**

- Pre-employment All PPS job offers are contingent on the satisfactory completion of a background check, including fingerprinting and criminal records, Child Abuse Prevention/ Sexual Conduct Training, appropriate Oregon licensure, sexual conduct verification (new Oregon Statute requirement) and professional references.
- 2) Licensure Public school teachers in the state of Oregon must hold an Oregon teaching license. If you have questions regarding your license please contact Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) via phone (503) 378-3586, or email via their website www.tspc.state.or.us. The Substitute Office does not expedite licenses for Substitutes. According to TSPC's regulations (OAR 584-050-0040), in order for the 120 day grace period to be in effect, you must submit renewal materials to TSPC prior to the expiration date on the face of your license. If you have not completed all the requirements for renewal or the next license type (e.g., have not received test scores), at a minimum, a C-1 application and renewal fees must be submitted to TSPC prior to the license expiration date in order for the grace period to begin. If you do not, your license becomes inactive, and you may not work as an educator. Intentionally working on an expired license is a violation of educator standards and Oregon law.
- 3) Licensure Renewal As of January 1, 2013 TSPC has phased in new requirements for Professional Development. All educators are now required to obtain Professional Development Units (PDU's) during the life of their current license in order to renew. The number of PDU's required will be based on specific license types and the year of license expiration. To determine the number of PDU's required to renew your specific license, how to submit your PDU's, what constitutes as a PDU, or if you have a specific question regarding the renewal process, please refer to TSPC's website at www.tspc.state.or.us or contact them by phone at 503-378-3586.
- 4) Delays or School closure due to weather Media announcements may not be the most reliable source of school closure information. For the most accurate, up-to-date school closure information, go to <u>http://www.pps.k12.or.us</u> or <u>http://www.pdxinfo.net/</u>. The information at those site is provided by the district's Communications Department and is the most current and accurate information available.
  - a) Delays Substitutes scheduled to work when there is a delay in opening school are required to be at work, prepared and available 15 minutes before the first scheduled classes. (on the delay bell schedule)
  - b) Closures –Substitutes and hourly employees that were scheduled to work at a school that closes for the day due to weather or unforeseen circumstances are not paid. Substitutes receiving extended pay will not be paid for the closure dates. If when the schools re-open and you are still working the same job your extended pay will be re-instated.
- 5) **Report to Office** –Make sure you plan enough time to report into the school office upon your arrival and sign in.
- 6) **Cell Phone Usage –** Cell phones are not to be used for personal use during class instructional times: this includes texting, emailing, playing games, internet/data use and blue tooth. Please follow the building rules while on assignment for approved usage.
- 7) Half-day Rules Substitute teachers should have a clear understanding of whether they are substituting for a whole day or a half-day assignment before accepting jobs. When accepting two half-day jobs, it is the substitute's responsibility to ensure he/she will be able to finish the morning job and to reach the afternoon job before the start time. A substitute who works two half-day jobs on the same date will be paid at the full day rate. Two half day assignments equal one full day assignment towards renewal requirements. If you are unable to work the scheduled time of the assignment, do not accept the assignment.
- 8) Leaving Early When accepting an assignment, it is your responsibility to be aware of the end time of the job. You must work the scheduled day you have agreed to accept, as listed in Aesop. If you are unable to work the scheduled time do not accept the assignment. The school's expectation is that you will be able to fulfill the whole assignment once you have accepted.
- Arriving Late The District expects that you will arrive on time to every assignment you accept. If there is an emergency please contact the school directly. Please do not accept a job if you cannot arrive within one hour of accepting it.

- 10) Minimum Days Worked Although substitutes may work in other districts, have commitments, etc., this District expects a balancing of work availability. Master List Substitutes who fail to work the contractual minimum of 20 full days per school year when work is available may be removed from the list. <u>Two half</u> days equal one full day towards the minimum workday requirement.
- 11) Workday For the first 10 consecutive days of an assignment, the workday for full day substitutes shall start fifteen (15) minutes before the student day and end fifteen (15) minutes after the last regular student period, but not less than seven (7) hours. After working 10 consecutive days in the same assignment, the workday and schedule for full-day substitutes shall be the same as that of regular teachers. (See Article 8.A & B of the 2012-2016 PAT Teachers' contract)
- 12) Address Change –Update your address with the District by logging into the Employee Self Service portal. Go to <u>http://www.pps.k12.or.us/departments/hr/</u> and click on "Employee Resources" on the left hand side, choose "Employee Self Service" in the drop down. You will need to login to the portal with your District credentials. The District <u>must</u> have your current address to send you your paycheck. To update your address with the Substitute Office, call the help desk at 503-916-3330 or email your new address to <u>ppssub@pps.net</u>.
- 13) **Changes in the Personal Profile Information** The substitute is responsible for updating any personal information to Aesop, Substitute Office and District.
- 14) Email PPS has provided all Substitute Teachers with a District email account. If you are unsure of your email address or login please contact the IT department at 503-916-3375. It is necessary to log in to your email account to ensure you receive PPS communications.
- 15) **Substitute Mailboxes** Every school should have a substitute mailbox available for information from PAT and the district pertaining to substitutes.
- 16) **Student Assault or Battery on a Unit Member –** Please refer to Article 6 Sections L & M of the collective bargaining agreement for rights and responsibilities if you are the victim of a student assault or battery.
- 17) School Locations Information is available from the Sub Office of all school locations. It is your responsibility to locate Portland Public Schools and have resources available if you are unsure of directions or location. Resources available: Aesop, Google Maps, MapQuest, Yahoo Maps, Maps.com, Thomas Guide, City map of Portland, etc.
- 18) **Renewal Process** You will receive renewal information if eligible at the end of each school year during the month of July to renew for the next school year.
- 19) Child Abuse Prevention & Sexual Conduct Training The District requires all employees to receive Child Abuse Prevention & Sexual Conduct Training yearly at the start of each school year. The Sub Office will notify all substitutes of when training must be completed to remain in compliance.
- 20) Break in Service A break in service (e.g., failure to renew annually, a resignation, deactivation, or removal due to excessive unavailability) means starting with a new hire date in the event that the application for substitute teaching is received and accepted by the District.
- 21) Master List Master List substitutes must be available for any assignment within their teaching license. Master List substitutes will be offered assignments before Restricted List substitutes. An exception will be made when a request for one substitute for a specific assignment is received. Article 7 of the PAT/PPS Substitute Teacher Agreement also describes Substitute Listings.

22) **Restricted List** – Substitutes who are retired PPS Teachers, or who renew their application annually and have a substitute hire date prior to January 1, 1995 with no break in service may be eligible for the Restricted List. Eligible substitutes may limit their assignments to particular subjects, and/or grade levels, and/or locations, and/or time of day or days of the week. They must be available for assignments within those stated limits. Article 7 of the PAT/PPS Substitute Teacher Agreement also describes Substitute Listings. \*You may only change from the Master List to the Restricted List during the renewal period.

# **General Information – Aesop**

- Accepting and Canceling Jobs Whenever possible, you should accept the job you are offered through Aesop. Once you have done so, you should write down the confirmation number, date, time, location, teacher, and any other information pertinent to the assignment. If you need to cancel a job after accepting it, you should do so at the earliest possible opportunity. This can be done by simply calling Aesop and following the prompts to cancel a job. If you are cancelling a job within one (1) hour of the start time you must call the Substitute Office Help Desk. The system will not let you cancel the job.
- 2) Teacher Requests If a teacher asks you to substitute teach for him/her always call the Aesop line to make sure that you have been assigned to the job, or to accept the job if it is waiting for you to accept. If you arrive at a school and find a double booking for the job that you have accepted please call the Sub Office Help Desk at 503-916-3330. The job will go to the substitute that accepted the job through the Aesop system.
- 3) **Aesop Calling Times** The system will call in the A.M. only for jobs that day. The system will not leave a message on an answering machine. It will start to call out for future jobs in the afternoon.

	Current Jobs	Future Jobs
Monday - Thursday	5:30 AM12:00 PM	4:30 PM-9:00 PM
Friday	5:30 AM12:00 PM	No Calls
Saturday	No Calls	No Calls
Sunday	No Calls	1:00 PM9:00 PM
Holiday	No Calls	1:00 PM5:00 PM

- 4) Late Cancellations A cancellation is considered late when it is called in less than 12 hours before the job starts. We understand that some late cancellations are unavoidable. However, in order to give the system adequate time to find a replacement for you, cancellations should be made as early as possible. On high call-out days with over 300 jobs in the system, a late cancellation increases the odds that a job may be unfilled, placing undue stress on students and faculty.
- 5) **Unavailability** If you know you will not be available to work a specific date, please enter in a non-workday in Aesop. If you indicate you are unavailable today when Aesop is calling you to offer an assignment, the system will only make you unavailable for that job and you will continue to receive calls. You need to call the Aesop system to say you are unavailable for the whole day to stop the system from calling you. This will alleviate the receipt of multiple calls on your phone and the District believing you are available.
- 6) **Emergency Calls** When emergency needs arise due to a heavy demand for substitutes, all substitutes, both Master and Restricted List, may be called for any assignment.

## Medical Insurance Information

#### **Qualifying for Substitute Teacher Insurance**

To obtain <u>twelve months</u> of coverage from October 1 through September 30 of the following year, you must work the equivalent of 70 full work days during the preceding school year. If a substitute teacher accepts an offer to fill a temporary position, days worked in the temporary position **shall count** towards the qualifying requirement for insurance eligibility.

## Enrollment

Eligible substitute teachers will receive enrollment forms and information mailed to their homes by the Trust Office on or before September 15 for coverage beginning October 1.

#### Rates

Rates are subject to change. Please call the Trust office at (503) 454-3892 for current rates and benefit plan options.

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

I am covered under sub insurance currently, but haven't worked enough days to continue coverage for the new school year. Do I have another option for coverage?

Contact the Trust Office (503-454-3892) to obtain information for self-pay insurance beginning October
 1.

# I am now a temporary teacher and have been enrolled in substitute insurance, what happens to my benefits?

When you become a temporary teacher, you cannot remain on substitute insurance once eligible for active teacher insurance. You will be transitioned to active insurance as quickly as possible. When the temporary assignment is complete and you return to substitute teaching the Trust Office will coordinate your re-enrollment in substitute benefits.

## Personal Injury Benefits and Property Loss

- 1 Any case of assault upon a substitute while acting within the scope of his/her duties shall be promptly reported in writing to the building administrator who shall forward a copy to the appropriate Central Office Administrator for investigation and resolution.
- 2 The District shall reimburse substitutes for loss or destruction of personal property excluding vehicles under following circumstances:
  - a. When the loss is a result of any assault on the substitute's person suffered during the course of employment.
  - b. When the substitute has exercised reasonable care to protect his/her personal property.
  - c. When use of personal property for instructional purposes has been approved in writing by the building administrator and the substitute has exercised reasonable care to protect such property.

Reimbursement shall be at replacement cost (not to exceed actual cost) less any insurance or worker's compensation reimbursement. Reimbursement shall not be made for losses of less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) or that portion in excess of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) and shall not be made when carelessness or negligence on the part of the substitute was evident.

The substitute shall cooperate and support the District in its investigation and resolution of any reported loss. The District will provide assistance in attempting to investigate and/or reclaim other stolen or damaged personal property including automobiles. Source: PPS/PAT Substitute Teachers Agreement 2012-2016 Article 6M

# PERS/OPSRP

Employees hired on or after August 29, 2003 are eligible for the Oregon OPSRP retirement program. Membership is established after completion of 6 months of qualified employment, and requires an employee contribution of 6% of gross salary on a pre-tax basis, which is deposited into a 100% vested IAP retirement account in your name. This contribution is not subject to Federal and State taxes until it is withdrawn from the retirement system. Additionally, the District contributes an amount to OPSRP for each covered employee to cover a monthly annuity benefit at retirement. Vesting occurs after working five years for a PERS employer. Members automatically vest at age 65, even if they have worked fewer than five years. More information is available by calling 503-598-7377 or going to <a href="http://www.oregon.gov/PERS/">http://www.oregon.gov/PERS/</a>.

If you work, or have worked, for more than one public employer, your previous qualification and/or cumulative hours may qualify you for PERS/OPSRP membership. If you achieve, or have previously achieved member status based on working for other public employers, retroactive eligibility may be determined and require retroactive contributions from both you and the District. If this happens, the Payroll Department will notify you of the contribution amount that will be deducted from your paycheck. If you work in multiple school districts, or are already a member of PERS/OPSRP when beginning to work at PPS, please inform PPS Payroll at (503) 916-3302, as soon as possible after beginning employment.

Your hours as a substitute will be reported to PERS/OPSRP as four hours for each half-day or eight hours for each full day worked.

# **Drug Free Workplace Act**

Employees who use drugs are strongly encouraged to seek treatment before their drug use affects the workplace and, therefore may jeopardize their employment.

 Payroll Cutoff Dates for 2014-2015 Note: this information is subject to change.

Payroll Period	Pay Date
$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	Pay Date 8/29/14 9/30/14 10/31/14 11/28/14 12/31/14 1/30/15 2/27/15 3/31/15
3/16/15 – 4/15/15	4/30/15
4/16/15 – 5/15/15 5/16/15 – 6/15/15	5/29/15 6/30/15
6/16/15 – 7/15/15	6/30/15 7/31/15

2014-1015 Substitute Teacher Salary Schedule				
	Full Day	\$181.52		
	½ Day	\$90.76		
	Extended rate**	\$198.15		

If you find any discrepancies on your paycheck regarding hours, please contact the Payroll Department at 503-916-3302.

# Your Day as a Substitute Teacher

- 1. Arrive on time.
- 2. Report and sign in at the main office upon arrival.
- 3. Receive instructions and materials, including classroom keys that have been left for you. If no instructions are available please contact the office or principal.
- 4. Get information from school staff about the bell schedule and any special activities for the day.
- 5. Maintain confidentiality with all student records and information.
- 6. Maintain the same professional and ethical standards as the classroom teacher when dealing with students, parents and school staff.
- 7. Review and follow the lesson plans furnished by the regular teacher (within the substitute workday defined in Article 8 of the Substitute Teachers' Agreement) including but not limited to, the following:
  - a. Start class promptly after the bell.
  - b. Contact the principal or designee if lesson plans are not available.
  - c. Be prepared in advance for emergencies by having plans for alternative activities.
- 8. Assume the duties of the regular teacher (within the substitute workday defined in Article 8 of the Substitute Teacher's Agreement), which include, but are not limited to:
  - a. Securing materials and equipment necessary to complete the lesson plans.
  - b. Performing additional supervision responsibilities.
  - c. Maintaining good housekeeping.
  - d. Grading, if needed.
  - e. Other duties as may be directed, i.e., recess, lunch, or bus duties.
- Keep the atmosphere of the room as normal as possible by following the regularly scheduled activities and teaching plan. Encourage the students to leave the room in an orderly condition at the end of the day.
- 10. Remain alert and engaged while with students.
- If a problem occurs that you are unable to manage, contact the principal or designee immediately for assistance. Notify the school administrator immediately should an accident, illness or discipline problem occur.
- 12. If in doubt about anything ASK THE SCHOOL OFFICE!
- 13. Write the teacher a note explaining the day's events
  - a. Identify helpful students
  - b. Identify both completed and not completed assignments/lesson plans
  - c. Identify students(s) who become ill or hurt
- 14. Checkout at the front office, leaving any materials necessary, including keys.

# **Tips for Success**

Substitute Teachers have a responsibility to conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times when carrying out their duties.

- Confidentiality Substitute Teachers have a grave responsibility to treat with confidentiality most matters
  pertaining to students. Student behavior, performance, and achievement levels should not be the subject of
  general conversation and should not be discussed outside of the school setting. When working with special needs
  students, substitutes should exercise an even greater degree of caution.
- 2. Substitute/Student Relationship Substitute Teachers should exercise extreme caution and good judgment in verbal and physical relationships with students. Substitutes should establish a position of authority with the students; they may "be friendly" without "befriending" the students. Substitute teachers should not search students' personal belongings. Berating students, calling students derogatory names, and using insults or other threatening verbal attacks is not acceptable practice.
- Firm, Fair and Consistent Most literature on Substitute teaching indicates that in order to be successful in their treatment of students, the substitute needs to treat students in a firm, fair, and consistent manner. Fairness and consistency are key issues with students. The substitute must be impartial when dealing with student behavior or performance.
- 4. Ethical Educator TSPC standards states "The ethical educator is a person who accepts the requirements of membership in the teaching profession and acts at all times in in ethical ways. In so doing the ethical educator considers the needs of students, the district, and the profession. Honoring appropriate adult boundaries with students in conduct and conversations at all times."
- 5. The discipline policy and procedures for the school district and each school should be followed. If the regular classroom teacher does not leave a copy of the discipline policy and/or procedures check with the office for a copy
- 6. Other Duties as Assigned The substitute teacher shall assume the duties and schedule of the regular teacher within the substitute workday. Occasionally, a substitute may be asked to teach in a classroom other than the one agreed upon through Aesop. The substitute will normally cooperate with the school administration in its attempt to meet the instructional and safety needs of the students under their care. If, however, a substitute feels unprepared to take on an assignment different than the one agreed upon through Aesop, the substitute may refuse the assignment. In that case, the substitute should notify the building administrator to make alternative arrangements. If the building is unable to make alternative arrangements with the substitute, the substitute should contact the substitute office.
- 7. Unattended Classroom As a general rule, for student safety, a substitute should never leave the classroom unattended, except in unusual circumstances and cases of emergency. For example, if a student runs out of the room, the teacher should not chase the student. Contact the office immediately for assistance and they will handle the situation. If the substitute needs to leave the classroom, a nearby teacher should be notified so that the classroom will be supervised.
- Leaving the Campus The care and supervision of the students assigned to the substitute should be of paramount importance. At no time during the day other than duty free lunch should the Substitute leave campus unless authorized to do so. Substitute teachers should check out through the school office before leaving at the end of the school day.
- 9. At the End of the Day After students have been dismissed for the day or placed safely on the correct school bus, the room should be checked to ensure that it is restored to the way the substitute found it. Books, supplies, and instructional materials should be returned, desks placed in their original positions, etc. Any keys issued need to be returned to the school office. If inadvertently the keys are not left at the building they must be returned immediately to the school office. Successful substitutes will take a few minutes to leave a detailed note for the teacher.
- Transporting Students Reasonable care requires that field trips be planned and conducted in a manner so that students will not be exposed to situations inherently dangerous and that activities will be avoided in which it is reasonably foreseeable that an accident or injury may occur. <u>The School Administrator's approval is required.</u> (Private Transportation is addressed in Administrative Directive 6.50.001-AD. See Appendix)

## **Classroom Management**

Classroom management and behavior management are interconnected. Behavior management refers to teacher activities designed to promote positive behaviors in students. The objective of behavior management is to prevent disruptive behaviors and to promote positive social behaviors. Classroom management refers to all of the things teachers do to organize students, space, time and materials to maximize effective teaching and student learning. (Wong & Wong, 1998)

Behavior and classroom management begin with having expectations for the student, learning environment, instruction and procedures. Your ability to effectively manage the classroom environment and student behavior is essential for student learning and participation. Examples and explanations of each of these expectations are:

- 1 **Classroom Expectations** are the rules that are used to help the students remain focused; they are the standards that guide student behavior. It is imperative for the substitute teacher to uphold these standards or classroom expectations.
- 2 **Instructional Expectations** are the tasks and assignments that the students need to complete according to the lesson plans.
- 3 **Procedural Expectations** are the methods and ways the student must complete the tasks and assignments. (Substitute Teaching Institute, p.13)

Here are some examples of behavior management strategies that can be used in the classroom:

- Set limits for behavior by telling students your tolerance level.
- Ignore behaviors that might increase if given attention.
- Develop a signal to let students know behavior is unacceptable.
- Reinforce students for appropriate behavior.
- Provide students with breaks from work when they become agitated or bored.
- Redirect bored students back to task by offering to help, discussing the assignment or complimenting the student's accomplishment on the completed part of the task.
- Always treat students with respect.
- Always do what is best for the student and have the student's best interests in mind.
- Seek solutions, not blame.
- Model respectful behavior
- Use the least intrusive intervention possible.
- Make a connection with the students.
- Instill hope for success
- Never display behavior that is disrespectful, illegal, immoral, ineffective and bad for health/safety.
- Never give up on a student, be perturbed with the actions of a student, but continue to believe in his/her ability to change for the better.
- Model the behaviors you want your students to engage in.
- Make your initial contact with each student a positive one. Each day say "Good morning!" or "How are you?"

Use these strategies to improve your classroom management:

- Circulate through the room. Physical proximity to students can stop inappropriate behavior before it starts.
- Say please and thank you every chance you get.
- Use the lesson plans.
- Post a schedule or agenda. Make sure your students know what to do in the classroom.
- Use positive praise. Tell students you appreciate their efforts and class contributions.
- Have a back-up activity for those unexpected events.
- Know the procedures for student tardiness, bathroom breaks and lack of ready-to-use supplies.
- Have something for students to do when they complete assignments early.
- Use cooperative learning strategies.
- Catch students being good and reinforce that behavior.

# **Online Resources**

The following websites are examples of online resources that Substitute Teachers can utilize for sample lesson plans, classroom management strategies, etc.

http://www.teach-nology.com http://www.education-world.com http://www.lessonplanet.com http://sti.usu.edu/subs/index.aspx

# Sample Sub Bag

Substitute Teachers often choose to create a "Sub Bag", which includes supplies, activities and personal items that the sub teacher can prepare in advance. Keep your bag packed and ready at all times and you will be ready for any job at a moment's notice. Below are examples of items that you may want to include. Be creative!

## **Classroom Supplies**

Markers, crayons or colored pencils Pens, Pencils / pencil sharpener Tape, Glue Sticks Scissors, Ruler Paper clips, staples, a small stapler Post-it Notes, File Folders Paper – lined and blank Dry/Wet erase markers

## Activity Materials

Back up Lesson Plans Filler Activities Books – story and activity Estimation Jar Timer or Stopwatch

## **Rewards/Motivators**

Tickets Certificates Stickers Mystery Box Privilege Cards

## Personal/Professional

Clipboard Substitute Teacher Report Directions to school Time Document – pre-printed Water Bottle Whistle Tissues Snack, Lunch

# **Child Abuse Reporting**

All District employees are required to report Child Abuse under Oregon State Law. Every employee must receive training on child abuse reporting procedures every year. The Child Abuse Training can be accessed using the PPS Learning Campus.

The procedures for reporting child abuse and resource materials are described in "Child Abuse Reporting Procedures and Reference Materials" in the Appendix to this Handbook.

# First Aid, Safety and Confidentiality

Follow the normal school procedures when handling emergencies. You should not send a seriously injured student to the office alone, contact the office for assistance.

As a substitute you are responsible for the safety of the students' learning environment. You should not put students in a dangerous situation. Always use caution and due care.

Students' should never be released or be allowed to leave the school without express consent from the office.

State and federal law prohibits the release or disclosure of confidential information about students. Having a casual conversation that includes confidential information about a student (especially medical or learning disability, grade, and behavior) should be avoided.

See the Substitute Folder provided by the school office for emergency numbers and specific school safety procedures and resources.

All accidents in which injury occurs must be reported on the appropriate accident report form. See the building administrator to obtain and submit such a form.

## **Illness of Students**

If a student is required to take medication while attending school, the parent may request the school nurse or clinic aide to assume the responsibility of dispensing the medication to the child at the scheduled time. All such requests should be reviewed with the school nurse before they are honored. This service may be given only upon written request by the attending physician stating dosage, type of medication, possible side effects, and how it is to be administered. Whenever possible, parents are requested to administer medication at home. Substitutes **should not dispense medication of any kind (over the counter or prescription) to a student**. Students should be sent to the office or health office. The office or health office will have written documentations containing information about administering medications to the student. **NO MEDICATION SHOULD BE DISPENSED IN THE CLASSROOM!!** 

# **Disabilities and Special Education**

In compliance with the Individual with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), there will be students with mild, moderate, and/or severe disabilities in regular education classrooms **for varying times during the school day**. The IDEA requires that all students with disabilities be served in the least restrictive environment. This means that students with disabilities should when possible be educated in general education classes with their peers. Students with disabilities will have either an IEP or 504 Plan. These plans are designed to provide structure for the students' learning.

The IEP is an individual educational plan for students with special educational needs. This plan is written in collaboration with the general education and special education teachers at the school. The plan contains the services to be given to the student, and the students' learning goals and objectives for a specific time period. The 504 Plan provides classroom accommodations for students.

Substitute teachers are required to follow the information that is outlined in the regular classroom teacher's lesson plans regarding IEP or 504 Plan. The information regarding the student's plan is not always outlined in the regular classroom teacher's daily lesson plan. Following the directions and information provided in the lesson plan will help the student with continuity and keep behavior issues at a minimum. In a classroom where there is an educational assistant or a second classroom teacher, the substitute teacher is responsible for the duties of the teacher whom he or she is subbing. It is not the responsibility of the Para Educators to manage the class; this is the role or the substitute teacher. In some classes Paraeducators are assigned to students according to the needs of the student.

## Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Formerly referred to as No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Highly Qualified Teachers

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) requires that all teachers of core academic subjects must be highly qualified all the core subject(s) taught. Teachers may not substitute longer than 4 weeks in any assignment that requires "Highly Qualified" status if they do not meet the Highly Qualified standards.

*Reporting:* Each school and the district must report on the number of highly qualified teachers to the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) annually.

**Core academic subjects** are <u>Reading</u>, <u>Language Arts</u>, <u>Mathematics</u> (*basic, advanced*), <u>Science</u> (*Biology, Physics, Chemistry and Integrated*), <u>Foreign Language</u> (*Spanish, French, German*), <u>Social Studies</u> (*Civics & Government, Economics, History, Geography*), and <u>the Arts</u> (*Visual Arts, Music*).

To be "Highly qualified," a teacher must meet all three of the following:

- 1. Hold an active full TSPC License (non-provisional)
  - a. Basic
  - b. Standard
  - c. Initial Series
  - d. Continuing
  - e. Five Year
  - f. Int. Visiting Teacher

\*Please note, the following are <u>not</u> considered full licenses: Emergency, Restricted Transitional, Limited, and substitute.

- 2. Have demonstrated subject area competence in each of the academic subjects to be taught
  - a. Subject Matter endorsement
  - b. Passing TSPC approved subject matter exam (ORELA, PRAXIS)
  - c. Undergraduate/Graduate degree in the specific subject area
- 3. Hold a minimum of a bachelor's degree

## **Obtaining Highly Qualified Designation**

If you do not hold an endorsement in a specific subject area, passing a core academic subject exam may allow you meet the subject matter competency required to meet the Highly Qualified standards. These exams are proved by the Oregon Educator Licensure Assessments (ORELA) and PRAXIS. You will need to check with the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) to determine your eligibility and the appropriate exam(s).

ORELA Exam webpage: <u>http://www.orela.nesinc.com/PageView.aspx?f=GEN\_Tests.html</u> PRAXIS Exam webpage: <u>http://www.ets.org/praxis/or?WT.ac=praxishome\_states\_121126</u>

If you obtained a full state license prior to the 2007-2008 school year, and have taught in this subject area for a minimum of three years prior to the 2009–2010 school year, you may qualify for a HOUSSE (High Objective Uniform State Standard of Evaluation). If you believe you qualify, you may request that the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) perform a Highly Qualified Teacher Evaluation by submitting the Highly Qualified Evaluation Request form and the applicable fee. This form and instructions can be found on the TSPC website: <a href="http://www.tspc.oregon.gov">http://www.tspc.oregon.gov</a>. Please check TSPC's website for updates on the *Highly Qualified* Criteria.

APPENDIX

# PORTLAND SCHOOL BOARD POLICIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVES

You might find these policies and directives to be useful. You may use these policies and directives as a reference as some may pertain to you.

# CHILD ABUSE REPORTING ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE 4.50.050-AD

Portland Public Schools ORS 419.005 – 419B.045 requires that if school personnel have reasonable cause to believe that child abuse has occurred, it shall be reported.

(1) Mandatory Requirement to Report

(a) Personnel shall <u>immediately</u> report the information to the principal or principal's designee and call the Child Abuse Hotline. Employees may choose to call the hotline with or without the principal, but must notify the principal or principal's designee immediately.

(b) Each school building must have a posting that includes the name and contact information for the principal or the principal's designee as the person designated for the school building to receive reports of suspected child abuse by school employees and the procedures the person will follow upon the receipt of a report. If a person suspected of abusing a child is an employee of Portland Public Schools, then the principal or the principal's designee must also inform a Human Resources' Performance Management Administrator, in addition to the principle or principles designee and the Child Abuse Hotline.

(i) If there is reasonable cause to support the report that an employee has abused a child, that employee will be placed on paid administrative leave pending investigation, as required by ORS 339.375(3).

(ii) Students will not be disciplined for the initiation of a report made in good faith about suspected child abuse by a school employee.

(iii) The principal or the principal's designee or the Human Resources' Legal Counsel must provide notification to the person who made the report about the actions taken by the education provider based on the report.

(c) The initiation of a report made in good faith about suspected child abuse will not adversely affect any terms or conditions of employment or the work environment of the complainant.

#### (2) Investigation at School

(a) On request, the principal will permit a law enforcement investigator, including a Department of Human Services investigator, to interview a child. The school administrator or a designee may at the discretion of the law enforcement investigator be present at the investigation. Nothing that transpires in either the investigation, nor the fact of an investigation, may be noted in student education records or revealed to anyone. Special requests for disclosure may be discussed with the District's General Counsel.

(b) Prior to an interview of a child by a law enforcement investigator, the principal shall first verify the identity of the person by official ID Card, or badge, and record the person's name, agency, business address, phone number, time, and date of interview on the Child Abuse Report Log. The principal shall retain this information in a file kept by the principal's secretary or in the principal's office.

(c) If a police officer plans to take custody of the child, ask the police officer to sign your prepared custody record which should read substantially as follows. The principal shall retain this receipt. EXAMPLE: Custody of John Smith has been received January 5, 2000, at 2:00 p.m. Officer Blake Smith Portland Police Department Badge #111

#### (3) Parent Notification

(a) In the event the child is taken into custody, school employees <u>shall not</u> notify the parent or guardian. Notification should be done only by the law enforcement investigator.

(b) In the event of an interview only, the school shall not notify the parent unless the law enforcement investigator approves the notification. The principal should discuss parent notification with the officer and urge that it occur promptly.

(c) If a parent calls and asks for the whereabouts of his/her child, the principal should simply report that the child is in custody, but not the reason, and suggest that the parent phone the Child Abuse Hotline.

#### (4) Sources for Detailed Procedures

(a) The Student Services Memo on Child Abuse Reporting – Procedures and Resource Materials is available from Student Services, and is on the website.

#### (5) Trainings

(a) Employees: The district shall provide training each school year to school employees on the prevention and identification of child abuse and on the reporting obligations.

(b) Parents and Legal Guardians: The district shall make training on identification and prevention of child abuse available to parents and legal guardians of students attending a Portland Public School. The training shall be provided separately from the training provided to school employees.

(c) Students: The district shall make training that is designed to prevent child abuse available each school year to students attending a Portland Public School.

#### Policy Implemented:

History: Adpt. 6/71; Amd. 8/74; Amd. 11/79; Amd. 2/82; Amd. 4/82; Amd. 11/82; Amd. 12/85; Amd. 4/87; Rnmd. 5/0 (from 4.50.21 to 4.50.50); Amd. 1/94 ed.; Amd. 9/01/02; Amd. 4/28/2004, Amd. 5/08/08

## **Prohibition Against Employee Child Abuse and Sexual Conduct with Students** ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE 5.10.063-AD

#### I. Definitions

Sexual conduct and child abuse by district/school employees will not be tolerated. All district employees are subject to the guidelines of this administrative directive.

(1) "Sexual conduct" is any verbal, physical, or other conduct by a school employee that is sexual in nature; directed toward any prekindergarten through grade 12 student; unreasonably interferes with a student's educational performance; and creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive educational environment.
(2) "Child abuse or neglect" is any form of abuse, including abuse through neglect and abuse or neglect by a third party, of a person under age 18.

#### II. Training

- (1) The district will require annual training for district employees.
  - (a) Procedures and resource materials are available and are on the website.

(b) The district will provide to employees at the time of hire a description of conduct that may constitute sexual conduct and a description of records subject to disclosure if a sexual conduct report is substantiated.

#### III. Reporting and Appeal Rights

(1) Any district employee who has reasonable cause to believe that another district employee or volunteer has engaged in sexual conduct with a student or abuse of a child must immediately notify the administrator or the person designated for the building to receive reports of suspected sexual conduct. A building designee receiving such reports shall contact Human Resources' Legal Counsel and the child abuse hotline.
 (2) The district will post in each building the name and contact information of the person designated to receive sexual conduct and child abuse reports, as well as the procedure the district will follow upon receipt of a report.
 (3) If there is reasonable cause to support the report that an employee has engaged in sexual conduct with a student, that employee will be placed on paid administrative leave pending investigation, as required by Oregon law.

(4) The initiation of a report made in good faith about suspected sexual contact with a student will not adversely affect any terms or conditions of employment or the work environment of the person reporting. Students will not be disciplined for any report of suspected sexual conduct or child abuse made in good faith.
(5) If, following the investigation, the report is substantiated, the district will inform the accused employee that the report has been substantiated and provide information regarding the appeal process. The employee may appeal the district's decision through the appeal process according to established district guidelines.

(6) The Human Resources' Legal counsel must provide notification to the person who made the report about the actions taken by the district based on the report.

#### **IV. Law Enforcement Interview**

(1) On request, a building administrator will permit a law enforcement investigator, including a Department of Human Services investigator, to interview a child. The administrator or designee may at the discretion of the law enforcement investigator be present at the investigation. Nothing that transpires in the investigation, nor the fact of an investigation, may be noted in student education records or revealed unless otherwise required by law. Special requests for disclosure may be discussed with the District's General Counsel.

(2) Prior to an interview of a child by a law enforcement investigator, the building administrator shall first verify the identity of the person by official ID Card, or badge, and record the person's name, agency, business address, phone number, time, and date of interview on the Child Abuse Report Log. The building administrator shall retain this information in a secured and confidential building file.

Legal References: HB 2062; ORS 339.370, 339.372, 339.375 and 339.377 History: Adpt. 8/10

# **Drug Free Workplace Act**

Federal Law

The Portland Public School District is subject to the requirements of the **federal** *Drug Free Workplace Act of* **1988**. This *Notice to Employees of Portland Public Schools* is given to comply with that Federal law.

- 1. This notice is part of the District's Drug Free Awareness Program. *It is our policy that the workplace is to be free of illegal drugs* and the effects of these drugs.
- 2. Employees affected by illegal drugs and certainly the use of drugs in the workplace are both very serious problems that affect safety, productivity, and our responsibility as role models to encourage our students to reject drug use as unacceptable. Drug use in the workplace can create a safety hazard to other persons and has proved to reduce productivity, to increase the rate of job errors, and to increase the incidence of on-the-job injuries.
- 3. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace. Employees who violate that rule or are affected by illegal drugs at work are subject to discipline, which can include dismissal. If the employee is not dismissed, other discipline may be combined with a requirement of completion of a drug treatment and rehabilitation program.
- 4. Employees who use drugs are strongly encouraged to seek treatment before their drug use affects the workplace and, therefore, jeopardizes their employment. Assistance in obtaining drug counseling is available through the Employee Assistance Program:

Reliant Behavioral Health 866-750-1327 www.MyRBH.com

5. All employees are required to immediately notify the District's Human Resources Department if they are convicted of a violation of criminal drug laws involving the workplace, or if they become aware that another employee has been convicted of that type of violation.

Human Resources Department 3/20/02

# **EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE**

Source: PPS / PAT Substitute Teachers' Agreement 2012-2016 Article 6G, 1, 2, 3, 4 & H

## G. Employee Discipline.

No substitute shall be disciplined without just cause. Reprimands shall be made privately. Materials relating to the disciplinary action shall be placed in the personnel file.

Use of the reports that are sent to the substitutes for the purpose of progressive discipline shall be as follows:

- 1. A first report shall be sent to the substitute for information only. Human Resources may do a follow-up contact with the substitute to ensure that he/she received the report.
- 2. A second report shall result in a conference with the representative of the Human Resources Department.
- 3. A third report shall result in the substitute being placed on "request only" status or other type of restriction and the substitute shall be notified that any subsequent report shall result in the substitute being removed from the substitute list.
- 4. A fourth report shall result in removal of the substitute from the substitute list.

Steps 3 and 4 above shall be subject to just cause including any reliance on reports at Step 1 and Step 2. Action by the District may commence at any of the above steps depending on the severity of the report.

#### H. Physical Examinations

Physical examinations of substitutes shall not be required. However, the District may require that the substitute provide medical documentation, that s/he is medically and physically able to perform the job duties of a substitute teacher.

# B O A R D P O L I C Y

# Student Education Records 2.50.020-P

- 1. Education records are those records maintained by the district that are directly related to a student.
- 2. In addition to the protection and procedures included in this policy and accompanying administrative directive, students with disabilities and their parents have additional rights under federal and state law regard to student education records. Those rights and procedures have been included in the Special Education Manual located on the district website
- 3. The primary reason for the keeping and maintaining of education records for students is to help the individual student in his/her educational development by providing pertinent information for the studen his/her teachers and his/her parents. These records also serve as an important source of information t assist students in seeking productive employment and/or post-high school education.
- 4. It is the policy of the district to keep education records for students to conform with state and federal la and regulations.
- 5. Information recorded on official education records should be carefully selected, accurate and verifiable and should have a direct and significant bearing upon the student's educational development.
- 6. The district will develop administrative directives for the maintenance, access and release of education records as well as for preserving confidentiality and for challenging the content of those records
- 7. The district may withhold the grade reports, diploma or other records of students who owe fees, fines or damages until those fees, fines or damages are paid. Students or parents will receive written notice stating the district's intent to withhold records. The notice will include an itemization of the fees, fines or damages owed and will notify parents of their right to request a hearing. The district may waive fees, fines and charges if the student or parents cannot pay.
- 8. Records requested by another school district to determine a student's appropriate placement may not be withheld.
- 9. The district shall give full rights to education records to either parent, unless the district has been provided legal evidence that specifically revokes these rights. However, once the student reaches age 18 those rights transfer to the student.

A copy of this policy and administrative regulation shall be made available upon request by parents and students 18 years or older or emancipated.

#### 2.50.020-P Student Education Records

Legal References: ORS 30.864; ORS 107.154; ORS 326.565; ORS 326.575; ORS 339.260; ORS 343.177 (3); OAR 166-405-0010 to 166-415-0010; OAR 581-021-0210 to ñ0440; OAR 581-022-1660; OAR 581-022-1670; Education of the Handicapped Act of 1975, as amended, 20 U.S.C. Sections 1400-1427, as amended and renamed Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), P.L. 101-476, 104 Stat 1103 (1990), as amended P.L. 105-17 (1997). Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99 (2000). Assistance to States for the Education of Children with Disabilities, 34 CFR Section 300.501 (2000). History: Addt, 6/71: Amd, 8/11/75; Amd, 10/1/81; Amd, 5/84 ed.; Amd, 5/8/86; Amd 7/10/86; Amd,

History: Adpt. 6/71; Amd. 8/11/75; Amd. 10/1/81; Amd. 5/84 ed.; Amd. 5/8/86; Amd 7/10/86; Ar 5/14/87; Amd. 12/14/89; Amd. 1/24/91; Amd. 10/22/92; Amd. 9/02, BA 2424

# Tobacco Possession and Use 3.30.021P

Tobacco use is the single most preventable cause of death in the United States.<sup>1</sup> Nearly all (80 percent in Oregon <sup>2</sup>) first-use of tobacco and most addiction (89percent <sup>3</sup>) occurs before young people graduate from high school. Tobacco is often the first illegal drug used by young people who use alcohol and other illegal drugs. Schools have the opportunity to help prevent tobacco use for the health and well being of students and staff, and to prepare students for smoke-free work environments. A Portland Public Schools Strategic Plan core value states: "Adult behavior is a powerful teacher for young people."

- (1) For the purposes of this policy, "tobacco" includes, but is not limited to, any lighted or unlighted cigarette, cigar, pipe, bidi, clove cigarette or any smoking product or spit tobacco product such as smokeless tobacco, dip, chew or snuff, in any form. The use of any of these products is prohibited by all parties on or about district properties including buildings, grounds, vehicles and any other property.
- (2) The possession or distribution of tobacco products and tobacco paraphernalia (e.g., lighters, rolling papers) shall be prohibited on or about district properties including buildings, grounds, vehicles and any other property by all students, regardless of age.
- (3) Students, regardless of age, are prohibited from using, possessing, or distributing tobacco products during any school activity including, but not limited to:
  - (a) The school day;
  - (b) Club meetings, regardless of the meeting location and time; and
  - (c) Athletic practices and activities. Students participating in school athletic programs are subject to the tobacco prohibition and usage at all times.
  - (d) School dances.
- (4) Tobacco use shall be prohibited on all school buses and other district-provided transportation when transporting students for school activities. Tobacco use is prohibited at all times in any district-owned or leased vehicles.
- (5) Advertising of tobacco products and/or tobacco companies shall be prohibited in all school publications, in all district buildings and at all school functions. This prohibition includes, but is not limited to:
  - (a) Tobacco industry sponsorship, gifts, funding or other marketing incentives; and
  - (b) Tobacco promotional items, including clothing, bags, lighters, and other personal articles and paraphernalia, shall not be permitted on school grounds, in school vehicles, or at school-sponsored activities.
- (6) Tobacco prevention education shall be included within a plan for prevention, integrated within the health education program. The educational program shall be based on theories and methods that have been proven effective by published research and consistent with the district and state health education standards.
- (7) Individuals (parents, volunteers etc) supervising students off school property while engaged in a school sponsored activity, shall not use or distribute any tobacco products while in the presence of students, or at any time while engaged in any activities directly involving students.
- (8) The superintendent shall develop administrative directives to implement this policy, including processes for:
  - (a) Student sanctions;
  - (b) Collection of tobacco products;
  - (c) Staff sanctions, as governed by the individual's collective bargaining agreement;
  - (d) Visitor and volunteer sanctions;
  - (e) Cessation support; and
  - (f) Notifying students, families, personnel and school visitors of the district's policy on tobacco possession and use.

Legal References: ORS 167.400; ORS 339.865; ORS 192.710; OAR 581-022-1210; OAR 581-022-0413; OAR 581-053-015; OAR 581-053-434; 1998 Master Settlement Agreement; BR 4079, 3/11/93. History: Adpt. as AR 1/15/96; Amd 8/12/02, BA 2385, and made a policy. 1 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2000. 2 Tobacco Prevention Program, Oregon Health Division, 1993. a) 3 CDC Preventing Tobacco Use and Addiction, June 1997.

# Sexual Harassment Policy - 5.10.060-P

- (1) It is the policy of the Portland school district to maintain a work environment that is free from any form of harassment, including sexual harassment. All employees must avoid any conduct or action that could be characterized as sexual harassment.
- (2) Sexual harassment includes any unwelcome sexual advances, unwelcome requests for sexual favors, unwelcome physical contact, or any other unwelcome conduct, verbal or nonverbal, of a sexual nature when:
  - (a) The employee's submission to the conduct is made either an implicit or explicit term or condition of employment (including but not limited to wages, evaluation, advancement, retention, assigned duties or other employment-related matters);
  - (b) The employee's submission to, or rejection of, the conduct is the basis for decisions affecting employment;
  - (c) The conduct by supervisors, other employees or non-employees has the purpose or effect of substantially interfering with an individual's work performance; or
  - (d) The conduct by supervisors, other employees or non-employees has the effect of creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.
    - (A) **Verbal conduct** includes sexual innuendoes, suggestive comments, jokes of a sexual nature, sexual propositions and threats.
    - (B) **Nonverbal conduct** includes sexually suggestive objects or pictures, graphic commentaries, suggestive or insulting noises, obscene gestures, whistling and leering.
    - (C) **Physical conduct** includes unwanted physical contact such as touching, pinching, brushing the body, coerced sexual intercourse or assault.
- (3) No employee may use the authority of his or her position to subject any other employee to sexual harassment, as described above, or to coerce, encourage or force another into a romantic relationship.
- (4) When it is brought to their attention, administrators and supervisors must take affirmative steps to stop sexual harassment by subordinates or non-employees, including warning, discipline and recommending possible dismissal of the offending employee.
- (5) The superintendent will establish regulations for reporting, investigating, and taking appropriately corrective action in response to a sexual harassment complaint. Employees who experience, or who are aware of sexual harassment should inform the Executive Director of Human Resources or designee. The district will make every reasonable effort to safeguard employee privacy and preserve confidentiality to the extent the investigative process allows.
- (6) There will be no retaliation by any district official or employee against any person who in good faith reports conduct believed to constitute sexual harassment. The district reserves the right to discipline employees who provide false information or make a complaint in bad faith.

Legal References: ORS 243.706; ORS 659.010 (14); OAR 584-020-0040; ORS 342.700; ORS 659.020; OAR 584-020-0041; ORS 342.704; ORS 659.029; ORS 342.708; ORS 659.030; ORS 342.850; ORS 659.040; ORS 342.865; ORS 659.150; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C.A., Section 2000(e) et seq. (West 1985); Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C.A., Section 621 (West 1985); Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C.A., Section 6101 (West 1985); Equal Pay Act of 1963, as amended, 29 U.S.C.A., Section 206(d) (West 1985); Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C.A., Sections 1681, 1682 and 1683 (West 1985); Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.A. Sections 504, 791, 793 and 794 (West 1985); Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et seq. 29 CFR Part 1630 History: Adpt. 9/25/97; Amd. 2/99

# **Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure**

Administrative Directive - 5.10.061

The procedure for reporting, investigating and obtaining corrective action for sexual harassment is as follows:

#### (1) Reporting:

- (a) Any employee who believes he or she has been sexually harassed at work by anyone (including supervisors, co-workers or visitors) should immediately bring the problem to the attention of the supervisor or manager. The supervisor or manager in turn should report the matter to the Executive Director of Human Resources or designee;
- (b) If the complaint involves the employee's supervisor or someone in the direct line of supervision, or if the employee is uncomfortable in dealing with his or her immediate supervisor, the employee may go to another supervisor or directly to the Executive Director of Human Resources or designee;
- (c) Similarly, if the employee believes his or her complaint has not been resolved by the supervisor, it should be reported to the Executive Director of Human Resources or designee.

#### (2) Investigation:

- (a) Inquires and/or complaints will be investigated promptly by an appropriately trained representative from the Department of Human Resources. The complaining party may request a male or female investigator;
- (b) Investigation of a complaint will normally include conferring with the parties involved and any named or apparent witnesses;
- (c) Employees shall be given a fair and impartial opportunity to communicate their complaint, defend their actions or report their observations;
- (d) All employees will be protected from coercion, intimidation, retaliation, interference or discrimination for filing a complaint or assisting in an investigation;
- (e) All complaints will be handled in a confidential manner to the extent that confidentiality is compatible with a thorough investigation of the complaint. The purpose of this provision is to protect the confidentiality of the employee who files a complaint, to encourage the reporting of any incidents of sexual harassment, to protect the privacy of all employees and to protect the reputation of any employee wrongfully accused of sexual harassment.

#### (3) Corrective Action:

- (a) Any employee determined by an impartial investigation to have violated the sexual harassment policy or the district's standard of conduct for employees will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal;
- (b) Any non-employee who subjects an employee to sexual harassment in the workplace will be informed of the Portland school district's harassment policy. Other necessary remedial action may also be taken.

#### (4) Responsibilities:

- (a) Each supervisor is expected to be knowledgeable of issues on sexual harassment in the workplace, be watchful for problems, inform employees of appropriate behaviors, assist employees if problems occur, and report such instances of sexual harassment to the Executive Director of Human Resources when efforts to resolve concerns fail to correct or abate such problems;
- (b) It is the responsibility of the Executive Director of Human Resources or designee to confidentially discuss with employees sexual harassment complaints brought to his or her attention; investigate complaints as necessary; advise employees of the rules; advise them where and how an official complaint can be filed; and, if they wish, to help them seek resolution of the problem with their supervisors.

Policy Implemented: History: Adpt. 9/25/97; Amd. 2/99

# Sexual Harassment – Staff To Student - 5.10.062-P

#### (1) Sexual Harassment.

- (a) It is the policy of the Portland school district to maintain a school environment free of sexual harassme students. No student shall be subjected to sexual harassment by its staff and volunteers or its contract
- (b) Sexual harassment is a form of sexual discrimination. Sexual discrimination and thus sexual harassment are distinct from sexual abuse and sexual assault.
- (c) Sexual harassment includes conduct, verbal or nonverbal, which denigrates or shows hostility to a stur or students by reason of their gender. Examples of sexual harassment include:
  - (A) Language or action demeaning to students on the basis of gender;
  - (B) Ridicule and abuse on the basis of gender;
  - (C) Penalties or disadvantages imposed by reason of gender.
- (d) No employee or volunteer in the Portland school district shall subject any student to sexual harassmer require any student to submit to sexual harassment.
- (e) The district has an obligation to provide training to employees and volunteers in order to prevent sexual harassment of students.
- (f) The superintendent shall establish by regulation an effective complaint process, which shall be referend in the "Handbook on Student Responsibilities, Rights and Discipline."
  - (A) District staff shall promptly respond to complaints of sexual harassment.
  - (B) District staff shall conduct a thorough, fair and impartial investigation of complaints. The investigation shall examine the instance alleged to determine if it constitutes a crime, professional misconduct, student discipline or need for supervisory action. An investigation shall respect all rights or all parties to a complaint.
  - (C) If investigation determines that corrective action is necessary, the district shall take such action.
  - (D) The district may take appropriate disciplinary action against individual members of the staff or volunteers if there is a true finding of misconduct. Actions taken shall be appropriate to the severity of the misconduct and designed for the purpose of ending misconduct and protecting the learning environment.

#### (2) Additional Protections.

- (a) It is the policy of the Portland school district that each school shall take affirmative steps to assure that students are not subjected to any form of sexual harassment by staff or volunteers in any school, in any school program or at any time by any district staff or volunteer of their school.
- (b) Sexual harassment for the purposes of this section shall include any attempt by action or words to establish with a student an amorous, sexual, lascivious or lewd relationship, knowingly using lascivious or lewd language or gestures in the presence of a student, or permitting a student to continue acts or statements which can be reasonably perceived as attempting to establish an amorous or sexual relationship with the staff member or volunteer. Staff and volunteers shall promptly report any attempt by a student to establish an amorous or sexual relationship with a staff member or volunteer.
- (c) Staff or volunteers becoming aware of a violation of this section shall report the information to the principal. Principals shall immediately report to the school police for investigation every such incident, which comes to their attention. If staff or volunteers by action or words have attempted to establish with a student an amorous, sexual, lascivious or lewd relationship or permitted a student to continue to pursue such a relationship, it shall be clear grounds for dismissal, and a copy of the school police report documenting the circumstances shall be referred to the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission and the Personnel Office for appropriate action. Making an intentionally false report of sexual harassment shall also be grounds for dismissal. Failure of a staff member or volunteer to promptly report a student's romantic advances shall be handled by the principal.

Legal References: ORS 243.706; ORS 659.010 (14); OAR 584-020-0040; ORS 342.700; ORS 659.020; OAR 584-020-0041; ORS 342.704; ORS 659.029; ORS 342.708; ORS 659.030; ORS 342.865; ORS 659.150; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C.A., Section 2000(e) et seq. (West 1985); Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C.A., Section 621 (West 1985); Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C.A., Section 6101 (West 1985); Equal Pay Act of 1963, as amended, 29 U.S.C.A., Section 200(d) (West 1985); Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C.A., Sections 1681, 1682 and 1683 (West 1985); Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.A. Sections 504, 791, 793 and 794 (West 1985); Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et seq. 29 CFR Part 1630 History: Adpt. 8/11/94

# Affirmative Action – Sex Discrimination

Administrative Directive - 5.50.050

The district shall develop in-service programs, which provide for the following:

- (1) For teachers and counselors to develop greater sensitivity in and skills needed to comply with the spirit and letter of Title IX;
- (2) For principals and physical education staffs to clarify conditions under which segregated physical education classes can and cannot be maintained and to increase understanding of the requirement to provide comparable activities for girls during periods when boys are engaged in contact sports;
- (3) For coaching staffs to alleviate deficiencies in the skills and number of persons qualified for coaching of girls athletics;
- (4) For the development of leadership skills of women in preparing more candidates for administrative positions;
- (5) For all staff to increase general understanding of the spirit and letter of Title IX and district policies in connection with sex discrimination.

Policy Implemented: History: Adpt. 9/76

# **Private Transportation** Administrative Directive - 6.50.011

Principals may authorize adult volunteers and staff members to use private vehicles to transport students on field trips (not regularly scheduled classes off campus) or on other school activities, provided:

- (a) The school administrator has approved the activity, and the adult volunteer or staff driver of the private vehicle has knowledge of the automobile's safety equipment. A safety belt and/or a booster seat (if applicable) must be available for and used by each passenger.
- (b) A permission slip signed by the student's parent/guardian has been received by the principal or his/her designee granting permission for the student to participate in the field trip and to ride in a private vehicle.
- (c) The adult volunteer or staff member is properly licensed to drive, has the minimum insurance mandated by the State of Oregon, will operate the vehicle according to the Oregon Motor Vehicle Code and is in compliance with other District requirements.
- (d) The District provides excess automobile liability insurance for adult volunteers and staff members driving private vehicles on field trips. This insurance is for liability coverage only and is in excess of any other insurance.
- (e) Drivers who are not District staff must have a criminal records check. Drivers must agree to comply with all District policies, including refraining from smoking and use of alcohol and drugs.
- (f) Students, even those 18 and older, may not participate as field trip drivers. With administrative and written parental permission, students with valid drivers' licenses may drive themselves to and from a field trip location.
- (g) In no circumstances shall a student who is not the child of the driver be alone in the car with the driver (i.e. there must be at least two students in each car).

## Student and Staff Acceptable Use of District Technology Policy (AUP) ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTIVE 8.60.041-AD

#### Introduction

The District's Acceptable Use Policy ("AUP") is intended to prevent online users from unauthorized access and other unlawful activities, prevent unauthorized disclosure of or access to sensitive information, and to comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act ("CIPA").

#### I. Definitions

A. As used in this policy, "user" includes anyone using the computers, Internet (including social media, e-mail, and chat rooms) and other forms of direct electronic communications or equipment provided by the District (the "network.")

B. The Network- The district has established PPSNet, an electronic communications network (network) for electronic communication and access to, and use of, the World Wide Web.

C. Mobile Devices- A mobile device is any portable, electronic device used for communications including telephone, text messaging or data transmissions (eg. email, web-browsing, streaming media, file transfer, etc.) over any network.

#### II. Terms of Permitted Use

A. Only current students, PPS employees, approved volunteers and District contractors are authorized to use the network.

B. The District sponsors and owns the network. The network is intended for educational and administrative purposes as defined in Board Policy 8.60.040.

C. Once the user acknowledges that they have read and understood the PPS Acceptable Use Policy, the conditions for use remain in effect until:

1. In case of students, revoked by the parent, or the student loses the privilege of using the District's network due to a violation of this policy or is no longer a PPS student.

2. In case of employees, the employee loses the privilege of using the District's network due to a violation of this policy or is no longer a PPS employee.

D. All network users are expected to follow this policy and report any misuse of the network or Internet to a teacher, or other appropriate District personnel. Access to the District electronic network has been established for educational use only, including support of administrative and student services, student and staff research, lesson planning, collaboration and sharing of ideas, contact with teachers and support staff, and the downloading of materials to be used as educational resources. Social networking has become a common medium of interaction. To learn about the District's policy on social networking, refer to the PPS Web Policies and Guidelines.

E. District employees may use the network for incidental personal use, but this use should be limited and must be in accordance with all District policies, administrative directives, and other guidelines regarding computers, networks and Web pages.

F. By using the network, users have agreed to this policy. If a user is uncertain about whether a particular use is acceptable or appropriate, he or she should consult a teacher, supervisor or other appropriate District personnel.

G. All users authorized to access student information are required to abide by the policies governing review and release of student education records. The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974 mandates that information contained in a student's education record must be kept confidential and outlines the procedures for review, release and access of such information. Access to student information systems will be granted only to those individuals who have been determined to have a legitimate educational interest in the data. Individuals who have been granted access must understand and accept all responsibilities of working with confidential student records. If the individual loses the data, he/she should inform the appropriate District personnel immediately.

H. Individuals who have student data on a mobile device are responsible to secure the data. It is the responsibility of the primary user of the device to immediately inform IT in the event of the device being lost, stolen, missing,

infected with a virus/malware, hacked, or otherwise compromised. Any mobile device connected to the District network or configured to access District email is subject to IT oversight, which may include remotely erasing data on the device at any time.

I. Under the direction of the Superintendent, Human Resources executive directors, or General Counsel, the IT Department reserves the right to access and disclose, as appropriate, all information and data stored on District technology, transmitted over the District network and technology. In addition, information and data relevant to any users' work in their District capacity may become discoverable evidence if a public records request is made or for any legal proceedings in which the District may be involved. "Deleted" or "purged" data from the District network may be retrieved for later public records disclosure or disciplinary purposes, as deemed necessary by the District.

#### III. Prohibited Use

A. Violating any state or federal law or municipal ordinance, such as: accessing or transmitting pornography of any kind, obscene depictions, harmful materials, materials that encourage others to violate the law, confidential information, or copyrighted materials.

B. Selling or purchasing illegal items or substances.

C. Causing harm to others or damage to their property, such as:

1. Using profane, abusive, or impolite language; threatening, harassing, bullying or making damaging or false statements about others;

2. Accessing, transmitting, or downloading offensive, harassing, or disparaging materials;

3. Damaging computer equipment, files, data or the network in any way, including intentionally accessing, transmitting or downloading computer viruses or other harmful files or programs; or disrupting any computer system performance; causing physical damage to a technology resource; or

4. Using any District computer to pursue "hacking," internal or external to the District, or attempting to access information protected by privacy laws.

D. Engaging in uses that jeopardize access or lead to unauthorized access into others' accounts or other computer networks, such as:

1. Attempting to gain unauthorized access to the District network or to any other computer system through the District network or go beyond your authorized access.

2. Using another's account password(s) or identifier(s);

3. Interfering with other users' ability to access their account(s);

4. Disclosing anyone's password or allowing a person to use another user's account(s);

5. Providing your account information to others, or making your account readily accessible;

6. Deleting, copying, modifying, or forging other users' names, e-mails, files, or data; disguising one's identity, impersonating other users, or sending anonymous e-mail; or

7. Posting or distributing personal information about other District personnel on the District Web site without the employee's permission or making any reference to confidential student information on the District Web site.

E. Using the District network or Internet for:

1. Personal financial gain;

2. Personal advertising, promotion, or financial gain;

3. Conducting for-profit business activities and/or engaging in non-government related fundraising or public relations activities such as solicitation for religious purposes, lobbying for personal political purposes; or

4. Connecting personal equipment without virus protection to the network.

5. Using software or hardware designed to interfere with or circumvent security mechanisms.

6. Using the network or Internet in any manner that violates any District or school rule or policy, including, but not limited to any rule or policy in the "Student Responsibilities, Rights and Discipline Handbook" located on the PPS website.

F. Plagiarism & Copyright Infringement

1. Users are prohibited from plagiarizing works that they find on the Internet. Plagiarism is taking the ideas or writings of others and presenting them as if they were yours.

2. Users must respect the rights of copyright owners. Copyright infringement occurs when you inappropriately reproduce a work that is protected by a copyright. If a work contains language that

specifies appropriate use of that work, users should follow the expressed requirements. If users are unsure whether or not they can use a work, they should request permission from the copyright owner.3. Any software that is protected under the copyright laws may not be loaded onto or transmitted via the network or other on-line servers without the written consent of the copyright holder.

G. The use of a District account is a privilege, not a right. Misuse could result in the restriction or cancellation of the account. Misuse may also lead to other disciplinary and/or legal action for both students and employees, including suspension, expulsion, dismissal from District employment, or, in the case of a student from school, criminal prosecution by government authorities. The District will attempt to tailor any disciplinary action to meet the specific concerns related to each violation. When applicable, sanctions on employees will be in accordance with the appropriate labor agreement.

#### IV. Internet Safety

A. In accordance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), the District will use technology protection measures on the network to block or filter, to the extent practicable, access to visual depictions that are obscene, pornographic and/or harmful to minors.

B. Use of the District network constitutes consent to be monitored. Users should have no expectation of privacy regarding their use of District property, network and/or Internet access or files, including e-mail. Monitoring technologies may be used to identify and mitigate issues with access of inappropriate materials.

C. It is the intention of Portland Public Schools to educate our students to be good Cybercitizens. With input from building administrators, teachers, instructional leaders and parents, Information Technology will provide resources and curriculum around topics such as:

D. Safety and security of minors when using technology such as social networking websites, email, video games, chat rooms, and other forms of direct electronic communications (including instant messaging).

- 1. Respectful and appropriate online behaviors
- 2. Cyberbullying awareness and response
- 3. Cyber ethics awareness including plagiarism, cheating and information literacy.

E. These instructional materials will be presented through a variety of age-appropriate methods. Tracking of student education efforts will be required. For more detailed information, please see the District's *Internet Safety Guidelines*.

#### V. Email Archiving and Retention

A. The District email retention policy is as follows:

- 1. All email and calendar items sent and received on the PPS email system will be archived.
- 2. All active employees' email will be archived for 3 years.

3. Inactive employees' email will be kept in its state on the date of account disable for 13 months past their inactive date. At that time, email and email account will be fully purged from the system.

4. Under request or guidance from District HR or Legal personnel, email data from inactive employees may be kept longer than 13 months.

Policy and Legal Reference: FCC 54.520(c)(1)(i) AD History: Amd. 8/2012

# **Racial Educational Equity Policy**

# Administrative Directive-2.10.010-P

The Board of Education for Portland Public Schools is committed to the success of every student in each of our schools. The mission of Portland Public Schools is that by the end of elementary, middle, and high school, every student by name will meet or exceed academic standards and will be fully prepared to make productive life decisions. We believe that every student has the potential to achieve, and it is the responsibility of our school district to give each student the opportunity and support to meet his or her highest potential.

In light of this mission and our beliefs, Portland Public Schools' historic, persistent achievement gap between White students and students of color is unacceptable. While efforts have been made to address the inequities between White students and students of color, these efforts have been largely unsuccessful. Recognizing that there are other student groups that have not reached their achievement potential, this policy focuses on the most historically persistent achievement gap, which is that between White students and students of color. Closing this achievement gap while raising achievement for all students is the top priority of the Board of Education, the Superintendent and all district staff. Race must cease to be a predictor of student achievement and success.1

In Portland Public Schools, for every year that we have data, White students have clearly outperformed Black, Hispanic and Native American students on state assessments in every subject at every grade level. White students consistently graduate at higher percentages than students of color, while students of color are disciplined far more frequently than White students. These disparities are unacceptable and are directly at odds with our belief that all students can achieve.

The responsibility for the disparities among our young people rests with adults, not the children. We are aware that student achievement data from school districts across the country reveal similar patterns, and that complex societal and historical factors contribute to the inequities our students face. Nonetheless, rather than perpetuating disparities, Portland Public Schools must address and overcome this inequity and institutional racism, providing all students with the support and opportunity to succeed.

1 For the purposes of this policy, "race" is defined as "A social construct that artificially divides people into distinct groups based on characteristics such as physical appearance (particularly color), ancestral heritage, cultural affiliation, cultural history, ethnic classification, and the social, economic, and political needs of a society at a given period of time. Racial categories subsume ethnic groups." Maurianne Adams, Lee Anne Bell, and Pat Griffin, editors. *Teaching for Diversity and Social Justice: A Sourcebook.* (2007).

Portland Public Schools will significantly change its practices in order to achieve and maintain racial equity in education. Educational equity means raising the achievement of all students while (1) narrowing the gaps between the lowest and highest performing students and (2) eliminating the racial predictability and disproportionality of which student groups occupy the highest and lowest achievement categories.<sup>2</sup> The concept of educational equity goes beyond formal equality -- where all students are treated the same -- to fostering a barrier-free environment where all students, regardless of their race, have the opportunity to benefit equally. Educational equity benefits all students, and our entire community. Students of all races shall graduate from PPS ready to succeed in a racially and culturally diverse local, national and global community. To achieve educational equity, PPS will provide additional and differentiated resources to support the success of all students, including students of color.

In order to achieve racial equity for our students, the Board establishes the following goals:

- A. The District shall provide every student with equitable access to high quality and culturally relevant instruction, curriculum, support, facilities and other educational resources, even when this means differentiating resources to accomplish this goal.
- B. The District shall create multiple pathways to success in order to meet the needs of our diverse students, and shall actively encourage, support and expect high academic achievement for students from all racial groups.
- C. The District shall recruit, employ, support and retain racially and linguistically diverse and culturally competent administrative, instructional and support personnel, and shall provide professional development to strengthen employees' knowledge and skills for eliminating racial and ethnic disparities in achievement. Additionally, in alignment with the Oregon Minority Teacher Act, the District shall actively strive to have our teacher and administrator workforce reflect the diversity of our student body.

- D. The District shall remedy the practices, including assessment, that lead to the over-representation of students of color in areas such as special education and discipline, and the under-representation in programs such as talented and gifted and Advanced Placement.
- E. All staff and students shall be given the opportunity to understand racial identity, and the impact of their own racial identity on themselves and others.
- 2 Glenn Singleton and Curtis Linton Courageous Conversations About Race, p. 46 (2006)
- F. The District shall welcome and empower students and families, including underrepresented families of color (including those whose first language may not be English) as essential partners in their student's education, school planning and District decision-making. The District shall create welcoming environments that reflect and support the racial and ethnic diversity of the student population and community. In addition, the District will include other partners who have demonstrated culturally-specific expertise -- including government agencies, nonprofit organizations, businesses, and the community in general -- in meeting our educational outcomes.

The Board will hold the Superintendent and central and school leadership staff accountable for making measurable progress in meeting the goals. Every Portland Public Schools employee is responsible for the success and achievement of all students. The Board recognizes that these are long term goals that require significant work and resources to implement across all schools. As such, the Board directs the

Superintendent to develop action plans with clear accountability and metrics, and including prioritizing staffing and budget allocations, which will result in measurable results on a yearly basis towards achieving the above goals. Such action plans shall identify specific staff leads on all key work, and include clear procedures for district schools and staff. The Superintendent will present the Board with a plan to implement goals A through F within three months of adoption of this policy. Thereafter, the Superintendent will report on progress towards these goals at least twice a year, and will provide the Board with updated action plans each year.

References: "The State of Black Oregon" (The Urban League of Portland 2009); "Communities of Color in Multnomah County: An Unsettling Report" (Coalition of Communities of Color/Portland State University 2010); "The Economic Cost of the Achievement Gap" (Chalkboard Project 2010); "The Hispanic/White Achievement Gap in Oregon" (Chalkboard Project 2009); "A Deeper Look at the Black-White Achievement Gap in Multnomah County" (Chalkboard Project 2009); ORS 342.433.

History: Adopted by Resolution No. 4459, 6-13-11

# **Affirmative Action Policy**

Administrative Directive - 5.10.025 - P

In order to close the racial achievement gap and better serve all students, Portland Public Schools staff must reflect the diversity of the students we serve. The Board of Education's Racial Educational Equity Policy, 2.10.010-P, requires the school district to "recruit, employ, support and retain racially and linguistically diverse and culturally competent administrative, instructional and support personnel." Oregon state law, as articulated in the Minority Teachers Act, states that "the number of minority teachers, including administrators, employed by school districts and education service districts shall be approximately proportionate to the number of minority children enrolled in the public schools of this state." ORS § 342.437.This Affirmative Action Policy sets forth the Portland Public School District's prohibition against discrimination, directs the Superintendent to create and implement an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity Plan (AA/EEO Plan), and establishes the goal that the District will come into compliance with goal established by the Oregon Minority Teachers Act.

#### Equal Employment Opportunity

The District shall provide equal employment opportunity for all applicants and staff in recruitment, hiring, assignment, training, retention, transfer and promotion. All employment actions shall be in accordance with the Board Policy of Non-Discrimination, 1.80.020. The District shall comply with all federal, state and local laws relevant to equal employment and non-discrimination.

The District will not tolerate retaliation against any individual who reports discrimination or harassment; or testifies, assists or participates in any manner in an investigation, proceeding or hearing, regardless of the outcome of the complaint. Conduct that would likely deter an individual from reporting or supporting a claim may constitute retaliation. Retaliation can occur even if the underlying complaint of harassment or discrimination is not substantiated. The Superintendent shall designate the Chief Human Resources Officer to oversee compliance with equal employment and non-discrimination.

#### Affirmative Action – Employment

In order to comply with the Racial Educational Equity Policy and the Oregon Minority Teachers Act, the District will make meaningful efforts to recruit, employ, support and retain a qualified work force that reflects the diversity of our student body. The Board expects to see measurable progress every year in reaching the goal established by the Oregon Minority Teachers Act. This goal will both help ensure a work and school environment free from discrimination, and will contribute to enhanced student performance and the elimination of the achievement gap. To this end, the Board directs the Superintendent to develop and implement an AA/EEO Plan. The Board further directs the Superintendent to designate an Affirmative Action Officer to oversee the implementation of, and compliance with, the AA/EEO Plan.

The Board expects the AA/EEO Plan to include affirmative measures designed to ensure equal employment opportunities. The AA/EEO Plan shall identify job groups that show the underutilization of staff based on race or gender within the District; set reasonable employment goals and timetables for increasing the diversity of our staff; and establish a plan of action to enable the District to reach these employment goals.

The goals articulated in this policy and the AA/EEO Plan are not rigid, inflexible quotas that must be met, but rather targets reasonably attainable by implementing best practices and applying good faith efforts. Neither this policy, nor the AA/EEO Plan, permit discrimination against any individual or group of individuals with respect to any employment opportunity for which the individual is qualified. Nothing herein is intended to sanction the discriminatory treatment of any person based on their protected status.

The Board further directs that all District employment policies, practices, and procedures will be examined periodically to ensure they are nondiscriminatory. These policies, practices and procedures are to be implemented by all administrative personnel, directors, personnel officers and anyone else who has responsibility for personnel functions. Equal employment opportunity and affirmative action are the responsibility of the entire District's workforce. The Board directs the Superintendent to report annually on the implementation of this policy and the progress of the AA/EEO Plan.

Adopted 6/17/13. Legal References: Minority Teacher Act, ORS 342.433 to 342.449; Federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination employment, including, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and ORS Chapter 659A; No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, Pub. Law. 107-110 (2002)

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- 5. and unfettered discretion, to terminate User's License with or without cause, for any reason or no reason, at any time and without notice.
- 6. Release. User, User's heirs, personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns (collectively, "Releasors") hereby unconditionally release, remise and forever discharge Frontline and Customer, together with their principals, directors, officers, employees, attorneys, agents, representatives, affiliates, successors, and assigns (individually and collectively, the "Releasees"), of and from any and all debts, obligations, demands, proceedings, agreements, contracts, judgments, damages, accounts, reckonings, executions, claims and liabilities whatsoever of every name and nature, whether known or unknown, contingent or unliquidated, at law or at equity, in contract, tort, or otherwise, if any, which the Releasors, or any of them, ever had, now have, claim to have had, now claim to have or hereinafter can, shall or may claim to have against the Releasees, or any of them, for or by reason of any cause, matter or thing whatsoever, arising from any and all claims or causes of action that the Releasors have had, have, or may have relating to, resulting from, arising from, or incidental to the License and User's use of Aesop®.
- 7. Severability. If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be invalid or unenforceable to any extent, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby and shall be enforced to the greatest extent permitted by law.
- 8. Governing Law. This Agreement is made pursuant to, and shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania without giving effect to otherwise applicable principles of conflicts of law. Any action or counterclaim hereon shall be commenced or asserted, as the case may be, only in the Court of Common Pleas of Berks County, Pennsylvania or the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. All parties hereto consent to the jurisdiction of such courts and waive any objection based on forum non conveniens.
- 9. Headings. The section headings of this Agreement are for convenience only, form no part of this Agreement and shall not affect its interpretation.

By clicking "I Agree," below, User hereby indicates User's acceptance of the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement.



# **Policies and Procedures Acknowledgement Form**

I acknowledge that I have received copies of the following policies and will be responsible for complying with them. I understand that if I have any questions regarding the policies that I should direct them to my supervisor or to the Human Resources Department.

- Child Abuse Reporting -4.50.050-AD
- Prohibition Against Employee Child Abuse and Sexual Conduct with Students 5.10.063-AD
- Drug Free Workplace Act
- Employee Discipline
- Student Education Records 2.50.020-P
- Tobacco Possession and Use Policy 3.30.021-P
- Sexual Harassment Policy 5.10.060-P
- Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedure 5.10.061-AD
- Sexual Harassment Staff to Student Policy 5.10.062-P
- Affirmative Action Sex Discrimination 5.50.050-AD
- Private Transportation 6.50.011-AD
- Student and Staff Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) -8.60.041-AD
- Racial Educational Equity Policy- 2.10.010-P
- Affirmative Action Policy 5.10.025-P
- Aesop User License Agreement

Furthermore I understand I am responsible for complying with all PPS policies and directives. PPS policies and directives can be found on the PPS website <u>http://inside.pps.k12.or.us</u>.

Signature

Date

Printed Name cc: Personnel File