

DATE: November 20, 2024

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Mrs. Kerstin Kramer, Superintendent Chief Learning Officer

SUBJECT: First Read and Proposed Revisions to Board Policy and Administrative

Regulation 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment

PRESENTED BY: Mike Shepherd, Executive Director of Human Resources

ACTION REQUESTED

Review the proposed revisions and provide direction to bring back to the next regular Board Meeting for approval.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Policy updated to reflect NEW FEDERAL REGULATIONS (89 Fed. Reg. 33474) which (1) require districts to provide reasonable break time for employees to express breast milk or breastfeed, and to ensure that employees have access to a lactation space, as specified, (2) provide that "sex" for purposes of sex discrimination under Title IX includes lactation and related medical conditions or recovery, and (3) require a district with knowledge of alleged conduct, which occurs in a district program or activity on or after August 1, 2024, that reasonably may constitute sex discrimination under Title IX, including sex-based harassment, to follow Title IX grievance procedures when investigating and resolving a complaint based on the alleged conduct. Additionally, policy updated to reflect the Providing Urgent Maternal Protections (PUMP) for Nursing Mother Act which (1) requires employers to provide reasonable break time for nursing employees to express breast milk for one year after the child's birth, and to ensure that employees have access to a lactation space, as specified, and (2) authorizes an employee to file a complaint with the Wage and Hour Division of the U.S. Department of Labor for violation of such act. In addition, policy updated to reflect the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act which (1) requires employers to provide reasonable accommodation to employees due to pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions, including lactation, as specified, and (2) authorizes an employee to file a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for failure to provide reasonable accommodations pursuant to the act.

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makers, and other persons who are responsible for implementing the district's grievance procedures or have the authority to modify or terminate supportive measures; facilitators of an informal resolution process; and the Title IX Coordinator(s) and designees. Additionally, regulation updated to reflect remedies available for violation of the Providing Urgent Maternal Protections (PUMP) for Nursing Mothers Act, the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act, and other provisions of state law

RESOURCES REOUIRED: N/A

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Attachments: BP and AR 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment - Compared