

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Caddo Parish School Board and all offices under its jurisdiction declare that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, or age, be discriminated against in admission or access to or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities. The School Board is an equal employment opportunity agency and is dedicated to a policy of nondiscrimination in employment or training. Qualified persons, applicants or employees shall not be excluded from any course or activity because of age, race, creed, color, sex, religion, national origin, or qualified disability.

The Superintendent and/or appropriate representative, as designated by the School Board, shall investigate any and all complaints that may be brought against any individual school in the school district in regard to any alleged discriminatory action for appropriate treatment by the School Board.

All employees shall be responsible for complying with this policy. Any form of harassment or discrimination should be immediately reported to the immediate supervisor, who in turn shall report the incident to the Superintendent and/or his/her designee. If the supervisor is the alleged harasser or discriminator, or the employee does not wish to report the matter to his/her supervisor, the employee may submit the complaint directly to the Superintendent or his/her designee for appropriate inquiry, including, when appropriate, investigation. The investigation shall proceed in accordance with policy, *GAMC, Employee Investigations*.

Further, the School Board prohibits retaliation against any individual for making a complaint under this policy or participating in the investigation of any such complaint.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

In accordance with federal and state statutes addressing nondiscrimination of disabled persons, namely Section 504 of the *Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973* and the *Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990*, or as either may be subsequently revised, the School Board attests that no qualified person with a disability shall, solely by reason of a disability, be denied the benefits of, be excluded from participation in, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity; nor shall a qualified person with a disability be subjected to discrimination in employment.

Adopted: February 21, 2017