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1550 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT/ANTI-DISCRIMINATION PRACTICES

The Board of Education shall, in accordance with State statutes and administrative code and Federal law and regulations, strive to overcome the effects of any previous patterns of discrimination in school district employment practices and shall systematically monitor school district procedures to ensure continuing compliance with **current Federal and State** anti-discrimination laws and regulations.

The Board will ensure all persons regardless of **any of the protected categories listed at N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1(a)** race, ereed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, religion, disability, or socioeconomic status shall have equal and bias-free access to all categories of employment in the public educational system of New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1.

The Board will not enter into any contract with a person, agency, or organization that discriminates on the basis of **any of the protected categories listed at N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1(a)** race, ereed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, religion, disability, or socioeconomic status, either in employment practices or in the provision of benefits or services to students or employees. In addition, the Board will encourage minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms to submit bids to be considered for the awarding of contracts.

The Board shall not assign, transfer, promote, or retain staff, or fail to assign, transfer, promote, or retain staff, on the sole basis of **any of the protected categories listed at N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1(a)** race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, religion, disability, or socioeconomic status.



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The Board shall ensure equal pay for equal work among members of the school district's staff, regardless of **the protected categories listed at N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1(a)** race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, religion, disability, or socioeconomic status, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1.

N.J.S.A. 10:5-4; 10:5-12

N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.1 et seq.; 6A:7-1.3 6A:7-1.8



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