## REGULATION

The Superintendent shall appoint an employee as the "Title IX Coordinator." If the Title IX Coordinator is the respondent, the complaint shall be filed with the Superintendent.

## Title IX Coordinator:

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When the District has actual knowledge of sexual harassment in an education program or activity of the District against a person in the United States, it shall respond promptly in a manner that is not deliberately indifferent.

- A. "Actual knowledge" means notice of sexual harassment or allegations of sexual harassment to a District's Title IX Coordinator or to any employee.
- B. An "education program or activity" includes locations, events, or circumstances over which the District exercised substantial control over both the respondent and the context in which the sexual harassment occurs, and also includes any building owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the District.
- C. A District is "deliberately indifferent" only if its response to sexual harassment is clearly unreasonable in light of the known circumstances.

The District's initial response to any report of sexual harassment must treat complainants and respondents equally by offering supportive measures to both and must follow the established grievance process before disciplining a respondent.

Even if no formal complaint has been filed, the Title IX Coordinator shall promptly:

- A. Contact the complainant to discuss the availability of supportive measures;
- B. Consider the complainant's wishes with respect to supportive measures;
- C. Inform the complainant of the availability of supportive measures with or without the filing of a formal complaint; and
- D. Explain to the complainant the process for filing a formal complaint.

Supportive measures are non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without fee or charge to the complainant or the respondent before or after the filing of a formal complaint or where no formal complaint has

been filed. Such measures are designed to restore or preserve equal access to the District's education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party, including measures designed to protect the safety of all parties or the District's educational environment, or deter sexual harassment. Supportive measures may include counseling, extensions of deadlines or other course-related adjustments,

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A. Ensure that the burden of prof

the District's education program or activity shall be provided by the District to the complainant; and

F. The District's procedures and permissible bases for the complainant and respondent to appeal.

The District shall provide the written determination to the parties simultaneously. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for effective implementation of any remedies.

The District shall offer both parties the right to appeal from a determination regarding responsibility and from a dismissal of a formal complaint or any allegations therein, on the following bases:

- A. Procedural irregularity that affected the outcome of the matter;
- B. New evidence that was not reasonably available at the time the determination regarding responsibility or dismissal was made, that could affect the outcome of the matter; and
- C. The Title IX Coordinator, investigator(s), or decision-makers(s) had a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or the individual complainant or respondent that affect the outcome of the matter.

As to all appeals, the District shall:

- A. Notify the other party in writing when an appeal is filed and implement appeal procedures equally for both parties;
- B. Ensure that the decision-maker(s) for the appeal is not the same person as the decision-maker(s) that reached the determination regarding responsibility or dismissal, the investigator(s), or the Title IX Coordinator;
- C. Ensure that the decision-maker(s)

- 2. The requirements of the informal resolution process, including the circumstances under which it precludes the parties from resuming a formal complaint arising from the same allegations, provided, however, that at any time prior to agreeing to a resolution, any party has the right to withdraw from the informal resolution process and resume the grievance process with respect to the formal complaint; and
- 3. Any consequences resulting from participating in the informal resolution process, including the records that shall be maintained or could be shared;
- B. Obtains the parties' voluntary, written consent to the informal resolution process; and
- C. Does not offer or facilitate an informal resolution process to resolve allegations that an employee sexually harassed a student.

The District shall maintain for a period of seven (7) years records of:

- A. Each sexual harassment investigation including:
  - 1. Any determination regarding responsibility;
  - 2. Any disciplinary sanctions imposed on the respondent; and
  - 3. Any remedies provided to the complainant designed to restore or preserve equal access to the District's education program or activity.
- B. Any appeal and the result therefrom:
- C. Any informal resolution and the result therefrom; and
- D. All materials used to train Title IX Coordinators, investigators, decision-makers, and any person who facilitates an informal resolution process. The District shall make these training materials publicly available on its website, or if the District does not maintain a website the District shall make these materials available upon request for inspection by members of the public.

The District shall create and maintain for a period of sever (7) years, records including supportive measures taken in response to a report