

SHARON SPRINGS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY
(Non-Discrimination Statement)

It is the policy of this District to provide, through a positive and effective program, equal opportunities for employment, retention and advancement of all people regardless of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, political affiliation, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, military status, veteran status, disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, or use of a recognized guide dog, hearing dog or service dog.

Sexual orientation is defined as heterosexuality, homosexuality, bisexuality or asexuality, whether actual or perceived.

The term "military status" means a person's participation in the military service of the United States or the military service of the state, including but not limited to, the armed forces of the United States, the army national guard, the air national guard, the New York naval militia, the New York guard, and such additional forces as may be created by the federal or state government as authorized by law.

Provisions will be provided for the publication and dissemination, internally and externally of this policy to ensure its availability to interested citizens and groups.

Additionally, administration shall establish grievance procedures that provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of complaints alleging discrimination. Those intending to file a grievance due to alleged discrimination must follow the grievance procedure as established by the District.

Prohibition of Retaliatory Behavior

The Board prohibits any retaliatory behavior directed against complainants, victims, witnesses, and/or any other individuals who participated in the investigation of a complaint of discrimination. Follow-up inquiries shall be made to ensure that discrimination has not resumed and that all those involved in the investigation of the discrimination complaint have not suffered retaliation.

Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 United States Code (USC) Section 621
Americans With Disabilities Act, 42 United States Code (USC) Section 12101 et seq.
(Prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability).
Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 United States Code (USC) Section 794 et seq.
Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 United States Code (USC) Section 2000d et seq.
(Prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin).
Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 United States Code (USC) Section 2000e et seq.
(Prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin).
Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 United States Code (USC) Section 1681
et seq.
(Prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex).
Civil Rights Law Section 40-c
(Prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual
orientation, marital status or disability).
Executive Law Section 290 et seq.
(Prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, sexual
orientation, disability, military status, predisposing genetic characteristics, marital status, or use
of a recognized guide dog, hearing dog or service dog).
Military Law Sections 242 and 243