



This policy represents a combined Notice of Non-Discrimination required by various federal laws, including Title VI, Title IX, Section 504, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Age Discrimination Act. Each of the laws requires a slightly different set of information to be contained in the required notices. This Notice incorporates those different requirements into one so that the school need not adopt Notices for each law.

The TLC Board of Directors desires to provide a safe school environment that allows all students equal access and opportunities in the charter's academic, extracurricular, and other educational support programs, services, and activities. The Board prohibits, any act or activities of unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, and bullying, targeted at any student by anyone, based on the student's actual or perceived race, color, ancestry, nationality, national origin, immigration status, ethnic group identification, ethnicity, age, religion, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or genetic information, or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

This policy shall apply to all acts related to school activity or to school attendance occurring within a district school, and to acts which occur off campus or outside of school-related or school-sponsored activities but which may have an impact or create a hostile environment at school.

Unlawful discrimination, including discriminatory harassment, intimidation, or bullying, may result from physical, verbal, nonverbal, or written conduct based on any of the categories listed above. Unlawful discrimination also includes the creation of a hostile environment through prohibited conduct that is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it affects a student's ability to participate in or benefit from an educational program or activity; creates an intimidating, threatening, hostile, or offensive educational environment; has the effect of substantially or unreasonably interfering with a student's academic performance; or otherwise adversely affects a student's educational opportunities.

Unlawful discrimination also includes disparate treatment of students based on one of the categories above with respect to the provision of opportunities to participate in school programs or activities or the provision or receipt of educational benefits or services.

The Board also prohibits any form of retaliation against any individual who reports or participates in the reporting of unlawful discrimination, files or participates in the filing of a complaint, or investigates or participates in the investigation of a complaint or report alleging unlawful discrimination. Retaliation complaints shall be investigated and resolved in the same

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manner as a discrimination complaint.

The Executive Director or designee shall facilitate students' access to the educational program by publicizing the district's nondiscrimination policy and related complaint procedures to students, parents/guardians, and employees. He/she shall provide training and information on the scope and use of the policy and complaint procedures and take other measures designed to increase the school community's understanding of the requirements of law related to discrimination. The Executive Director or designee shall regularly review the implementation of the district's nondiscrimination policies and practices and, as necessary, shall take action to remove any identified barrier to student access to or participation in the district's educational program. He/she shall report his/her findings and recommendations to the Board after each review.

Tomorrow's Leadership Collaborative Charter School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or any other legally protected category in its programs and activities.

Upon witnessing an act of discrimination, harassment, intimidation and/or bullying based on actual or perceived characteristics of a protected category (as enumerated above), school personnel are required to take immediate steps to intervene when it is safe to do so. Reporting such conduct to an administrator or Title IX/Bullying Complaint Manager can be an appropriate intervention. Once a school or office has notice of discriminatory, harassing, intimidating or bullying conduct, whether carried out by employees, students, or third parties, it should take immediate and appropriate steps to investigate or otherwise determine what occurred. School personnel are to take prompt and effective steps reasonably calculated to end the conduct, eliminate a hostile environment if one has been created, and prevent the conduct from occurring again. These steps should be taken whether an individual makes a complaint or asks the school or office to act. This policy applies to all acts related to school activity or school attendance within any school or office.

Any student or employee of the Charter School who believes that she or he has been a victim of harassment should bring the problem to the attention of the school-site administrator or the school's Program Operations Manager – Yesica Valencia so that appropriate action may be taken to resolve the problem. The Charter School prohibits retaliatory behavior against anyone who files a sexual harassment, discrimination or intimidation complaint or any participant in the complaint investigation process. Complaints must be promptly investigated in a way that respects the privacy of the parties concerned.

TLC designates the following individual(s) as the responsible employee(s) to coordinate its efforts to comply with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and California Education

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Code 234.1, as well as to investigate and resolve sexual harassment complaints under AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. The coordinator/compliance officer(s) may be contacted at:

Name and/or Title: Yesica Valencia – Program Operations Manager

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Telephone No.: 657-284-5228 Yesica.valencia@tlccharter.org

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