411 – Equal Educational Opportunities

The Green Lake School District is committed to providing equal educational opportunities for all students enrolled in the District. No person shall be denied admission to any school in the District or be denied participation in, denied the benefits of or discriminated against in any curricular, cocurricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, color, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, physical, mental, emotional or learning disability or homelessness status.

Children of homeless individuals and unaccompanied homeless youth (youth not in the physical custody or a parent/guardian) residing in the District shall have equal access to the same, free, appropriate public education, including comparable services, as provided to other children and youth who reside in the District.

The District shall provide appropriate educational services and/or programs for students who have been identified as having a handicap or disability, regardless of the nature or severity of the handicap or disability. Students may be considered handicapped or disabled under this policy even if they are not covered under the District's special education policies and procedures.

The District shall provide for the reasonable accommodation of a student's sincerely held religious beliefs with regard to examinations and other academic requirements. Requests for accommodations shall be made in writing and approved by the building principal or designee. Accommodations may include, but not necessarily be limited to, exclusion from participation in an activity, alternative assignments, release time from school to participate in religious activities, and opportunities to make up work missed due to religious observances. Any accommodations granted under this policy shall be provided to students without prejudice.

The District encourages informal resolution of complaints under this policy. Any questions concerning this policy should be directed to the Superintendent.

Legal References: WI State Statutes 118.13 and Wisconsin Administrative Code PI 9

Cross References: 342.1 Programs for Students with Disabilities; 420 School Admission

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