

PITTSBURG UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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ANNUAL NOTIFICATION OF THE UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES (UCP)

For students, employees, parents or guardians of its students, school and district advisory committees, appropriate private school officials or representatives, and other interested parties

The Pittsburg Unified School District has the primary responsibility to insure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and has established procedures to address allegations of unlawful discrimination and complaints alleging violation of state or federal laws governing educational programs.

The Pittsburg Unified School District shall investigate and seek to resolve complaints using policies and procedures known as the Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) adopted by our local board. Unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying complaints may be based on actual or perceived age, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, gender expression, gender identity, gender, mental or physical disability, nationality, national origin, race or ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or on a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, in any program or activity that receives or benefits from state financial assistance. The UCP shall also be used when addressing complaints alleging failure to comply with state and/or federal laws in Adult Education, Consolidated Categorical Aid Programs, Migrant Education, Career Technical Education and Training Programs, Child Care And Developmental Programs, Child Nutrition Programs, Special Education Programs, and Safety Planning Requirements. The UCP process will also be used when addressing complaints alleging failure to comply with the prohibition against requiring students to pay fees or other charges for participation in educational activities, and to investigate any complaint alleging that the district has not complied with the legal requirements related to the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP).

Complaints must be filed in writing with the following compliance officer:

Name and/or Title of Compliance Officer: Anthony Molina, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Address: 2000 Railroad Avenue, Suite I Pittsburg, CA 94565 Telephone Number: (925) 473-2313

Complaints alleging discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying must be filed within six (6) months from the date the alleged discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying occurred or the date the complainant first obtained knowledge of the facts of the alleged discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying unless the time for filing is extended by the superintendent or his or her designee.

Complaints will be investigated and a written decision or report will be sent to the complainant within sixty (60) calendar days from the receipt of the complaint. This sixty (60) calendar day time period may be extended by written agreement of the complainant. The district person responsible for investigating the complaint shall conduct and complete the investigation in accordance with sections 4680-4687 and in accordance with local procedures adopted under section 4621.

The complainant has a right to appeal the district's decision to the California Department of Education (CDE) by filing a

written appeal within 15 calendar days of receiving the district's decision. The appeal must include a copy of the complaint filed with the district and a copy of their decision.

Civil law remedies may be available under state or federal discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying laws, if applicable. In appropriate cases, an appeal may be filed pursuant to Education Code Section 262.3. A complainant may pursue available civil law remedies outside of the district's complaint procedures. Complainants may seek assistance from mediation centers or public/private interest attorneys. Civil law remedies that may be imposed by a court include, but are not limited to, injunctions and restraining orders.

A copy of the Pittsburg Unified School District's UCP policy and complaint procedures shall be available free of charge.

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