

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF RIVER FALLS**  
**River Falls, Wisconsin 54022**  
**2011-12**

**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF STUDENT NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY**

It is the policy of the School District of River Falls that no person be denied admission to any public school in this district or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be discriminated against in any curricular, co-curricular, student service, recreational or other program or activity because of the person's sex, race, national origin, religion, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability or handicap. This policy also prohibits student discrimination under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (sex), Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (race, color, national origin), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (handicap) and Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (disability).

It is the goal of this district to provide students with the knowledge and skills which will empower them to take charge of their lives whether their destination is college, technical training, the military, the world of work or marriage and family. Programs offered include, but are not limited to, classes in agriculture, art, business education, family and consumer education, foreign languages, health, language arts, math, music, physical education, science, social studies, technology, and alternate credit opportunities such as independent study and Youth Options.

Children of homeless individuals and unaccompanied homeless youth (youth not in the physical custody of 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. Homeless children and youth shall not be required to attend a separate school or program for homeless children and shall not be stigmatized by school personnel.

The District shall provide appropriate educational services 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. The District shall also provide for the reasonable accommodation of a student's sincerely held religious beliefs with regard to examinations and other academic requirements. Requests for religious accommodations shall be made in writing and approved by the building principal.

Complaints regarding the interpretation or application of this policy should be referred to the building principal or the District's Equal Opportunity Coordinator. The District encourages informal resolution of complaints under this policy. If the reply to the informal procedures is not acceptable to the complainant, he/she may initiate a formal complaint in accordance with established procedures.

Any questions concerning this policy should be directed to the District's Equal Opportunity Coordinator: Dr. Elaine Baumann, Principal, River Falls High School, 818 Cemetery Road, River Falls, WI, 54022, (715) 425-1830, ext. 1102.

The District's Section 504 Coordinator is: Mrs. Jackie Steinhoff, Director of Special Education, District Office, 852 E Division St, River Falls, WI, 54022, (715) 425-1800, ext 1115

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