

TITLE IX: DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Pursuant to Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance." Using the guideline of the Title IX Amendment GEE is committed to providing students with a learning environment free from sexual harassment or gender discriminatory behavior. It shall be a violation of policy for any student, teacher, administrator, school personnel, agents, volunteers, or third parties, subject to the supervision and control of the GEE Academy school board, to harass or discriminate against a student based upon their gender. Acts of sexual harassment or inappropriate employee-student relations or student-peer relations are prohibited at all times during the school day, including while on school-sponsored transportation, during observation or participation in after-school activities, and during school-related functions such as sporting events, social activities, or field trips.

Sexual Harassment Defined

Sexual harassment is any unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive as to create an intimidating, hostile, or abusive educational environment, or substantially or unreasonably interfere with an individual's education or limit an individual's ability to participate in or benefit from the education program.

Gender Discrimination Defined

Gender discrimination occurs when different treatment or consideration takes place due to the sex or gender of the individual rather than individual merit. The behavior complained of must be directed toward a specific gender and free from any reasonable justification. Under the regulation of Title IX, the School Board prohibits gender discrimination.

Any student who believes he or she has been the victim of harassment or discriminatory behavior must immediately report such behavior to the Title IX Coordinator, who is the Academy Principal. If the student has a complaint against the school principal, the student may contact the GEE Title IX coordinator at 734-662-7050, ext. 206.

LEGAL REFERENCES: Title VI, Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title VII, Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Opportunity Act of 1972; Executive Order 11246, as amended by E.O. 11375; Title IX, Education Amendments of 1972; 34 C.F.R. Sect. 106.41 of the Title IX Regulation. Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Education for all Handicapped Children Act of 1975; Age Discrimination Act of 1975, P.L. 94-135; 15CFR8.a