

## **401 EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

*[Note: School districts are required by statute to have a policy addressing these issues.]*

### **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to provide equal employment opportunity for all applicants for school district employment and school district employees.

### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

- A. It is the school district's policy to provide equal employment opportunity for all applicants and employees. The school district does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, disability, sexual orientation, age, family care leave status or veteran status. The school district also makes reasonable accommodations for disabled employees.
- B. The school district prohibits the harassment of any individual for any of the categories listed above. For information about the types of conduct that constitute impermissible harassment and the school district's internal procedures for addressing complaints of harassment, please refer to the school district's policy on harassment and violence.
- C. This policy applies to all areas of employment including hiring, discharge, promotion, compensation, facilities or privileges of employment.
- D. It is the responsibility of every school district employee to follow this policy.
- E. Any person having any questions regarding this policy should discuss it with \_\_\_\_\_ (specify, e.g., the Personnel Manager).

**Legal References:** Minn. Stat. Ch. 363 (Minnesota Human Rights Act)  
29 U.S.C. § 621 *et seq.* (Age Discrimination in Employment Act)  
29 U.S.C. § 2615 (Family and Medical Leave Act)  
38 U.S.C. § 4301 *et seq.* (Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act)  
38 U.S.C. § 4211 *et seq.* (Veterans' Reemployment Rights Act)  
42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.* (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act)  
42 U.S.C. § 12101 *et seq.* (Americans with Disabilities Act)

***Cross References:*** MSBA/MASA Model Policy 402 (Disability Nondiscrimination)  
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 405 (Veteran's Preference)  
MSBA/MASA Model Policy 413 (Harassment and Violence)