



Board Policy: Nondiscrimination in Employment

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Camino Nuevo Charter Academy is an equal employment opportunity employer and makes employment decisions on the basis of merit. CNCA policy prohibits unlawful discrimination or harassment based on a person's actual or perceived race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, veteran status, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sex, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic contained in the definition of hate crimes in Section 422.55 of the Penal Code, as well as any other category protected by federal, state, or local laws. It also prohibits unlawful discrimination based on the perception that anyone has any of the aforementioned characteristics, or is associated with a person who has or is perceived as having any of the aforementioned characteristics. All such discrimination or harassment is unlawful. CNCA employees are prohibited from engaging in such conduct.

Prohibited discrimination consists of adverse employment action against a person, including termination or denial of promotion, job assignment, or training, or in discriminating against the person in compensation, terms, conditions, or other privileges or employment based on any of the prohibited categories of discrimination listed above.

Prohibited discrimination based on the religious creed of an employee or job applicant includes any unlawful discrimination based on the person's religious dress or grooming practices or any conflict between the person's religious belief, observance, or practice and an employment requirement.

Prohibited discrimination based on the sex of an employee or job applicant shall include any discrimination based on the person's pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding, or any related medical conditions.

Harassment consists of unwelcomed verbal, physical, or visual conduct that is based on any of the prohibited categories of discrimination listed above and that is so severe or pervasive that it adversely affects an individual's employment opportunities, has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with the individual's work performance, or creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work environment.

CNCA is committed to complying with all applicable laws providing equal employment opportunities and prohibits unlawful discrimination by an employee of CNCA, including supervisors and coworkers. Employees are required to report every instance of unlawful discrimination to their supervisor or the Principal. Retaliation for filing a complaint on

participating in the complaint process is prohibited. Any supervisor or employee who retaliates against the complainant or those involved in the investigation will be disciplined, up to and including dismissal. Employees who have engaged in prohibited discrimination will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

CNCA will attempt to reasonably accommodate any qualified individual with a known physical or mental disability, unless doing so would create an undue hardship on the school. As part of its commitment to make reasonable accommodations, CNCA participates in a timely, good faith, interactive process with disabled applicants or employees. Applicants and employees are invited to identify any functional limitations and participate in an interactive process to assist them in performing the essential functions of the position. The purpose of this process is to first identify the applicant's or employee's functional limitations, and then to determine effective reasonable accommodations, if any, that can be made in response to a request for accommodations. Applicants and employees requesting a reasonable accommodation should contact the Human Resources Department as soon as possible to request the opportunity to participate in a timely interactive process.

Complaint of unlawful discrimination should be submitted in writing to the Principal or Human Resource Department. Complaints should be specific and include the names of the individuals involved and the names of any witnesses. CNCA will immediately undertake an effective, thorough, and objective investigation and attempt to resolve the situation.

If CNCA determines that unlawful discrimination has occurred, effective remedial action will be taken commensurate with the severity of the offense. Appropriate action also will be taken to deter any future discrimination. CNCA will not retaliate against employees for filing a complaint and will not knowingly permit retaliation by management employees or coworkers.