

Discrimination Complaint Procedure

Complaints regarding discrimination or harassment, on any basis protected by law, shall be processed in accordance with the following procedures:

- Step I: Complaints shall be in writing and must be filed with the principal. The building principal shall investigate and determine the action to be taken, if any, and reply, in writing, to the complainant within ten (10) working days of receipt of the written complaint.
- Step II: If the complainant wishes to appeal the decision of the principal, he/she may submit a written appeal to the superintendent within ten (10) working days after receipt of the building principal's response to the complaint. The superintendent shall review the principal's decision and may meet with all parties involved. The superintendent will review the merits of the complaint and the principal's decision and respond in writing, to the complainant within ten (10) working days.
- Step III: If the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the superintendent, a written appeal may be filed with the Board within ten (10) working days of receipt of the superintendent's response to Step II. The Board may meet with the concerned parties and their representative at the next regular or special Board meeting. The Board's decision will be final and will include the legal basis for the decision, findings of fact and conclusions of law. A copy of the Board's final decision shall be sent to the complainant in writing within ten (10) working days of this meeting.

If the principal is the subject of the complaint, the individual may file a complaint with the superintendent. If the superintendent is the subject of the complaint, the complaint should be referred to the Board chair. The Board may refer the investigation to a third party.

Complaints against the Board as a whole or against an individual Board member, should be made to the Board chair and may be referred to district counsel. Complaints against the Board chair may be made directly to Board vice chair.

Timelines may be extended based upon mutual consent of both parties in writing.

If the complainant is not satisfied after exhausting local complaint procedures, or ninety (90) days, whichever occurs first, he/she may appeal in writing to the Superintendent of Public Instruction under Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 581-022-1940.

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT FORM

Name of Person Filing Complaint Date School or Activity

Student/Parent Employee Nonemployee (Job applicant) Other _____

- Type of discrimination:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Race | <input type="checkbox"/> Color | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sex | <input type="checkbox"/> National Origin | <input type="checkbox"/> Disability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marital Status | <input type="checkbox"/> Age | <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Orientation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

Specific complaint: (Please provide detailed information including names, dates, places, activities, and results of informal discussion.)

Who should we talk to and what evidence should we consider? _____

Suggested solution/resolution/outcome: _____

The complaint form should be mailed or taken to the principal. Direct complaints related to educational programs and services may be made to the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights. Direct complaints related to employment may be filed with the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries, Civil Rights Division, or the U.S. Department of Labor, Equal Employment Opportunities Commission.