

**NONDISCRIMINATION(TITLE IX)**

The Optima Board of Education is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination in relation to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, alienage, handicap, or veteran status. This policy will prevail in all matters concerning staff, events, students, the public, employment, admissions, financial aid, educational programs and services, facilities access, and individuals, companies, and firms with whom the board does business. Racial discrimination shall include racial slurs or other demeaning remarks concerning another person's race, ancestry, or country of origin and directed toward an employee, a student or a visitor.

The board directs the superintendent of schools to prepare necessary rules, regulations, and procedures to ensure that all local, state, and federal laws, regulations, and guidelines are followed.

The following statement will be included in all course announcements, bulletins disseminated to all students, materials used for recruiting or describing programs and training, application or enrollment forms, brochures, and catalogs:

"The Optima Board of Education does not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, ~~or~~ veteran status, or gender."

When an open forum is created whereby non-curricular groups are allowed to meet on school premises Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups will have equal access.

Inquiries concerning application of this policy may be referred to Freida Burgess, Superintendent who is the Title IX/504/ADA Compliance Coordinator.

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**REFERENCE:** Oklahoma Constitution, Article 1, Section 6  
Title 6, Title 7, Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972  
Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375  
Equal Pay Act, as amended by the Education Amendments of 1972  
Rehabilitation Act of 1973, §504  
Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975  
Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986  
Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §12101  
Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC §1400, et seq.