

**School Mascots and Other Identifications**

Building mascots, logos, slogans, annual or newspaper names, names for activities, events and other identifiers and caricature portrayals will be free from bias and derogatory connotations or effects associated with race, creed, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or disability. School identifiers will be reviewed by each school with the objective of assuring respect for cultural differences, values, and attitudes and of treating individuals with respect, dignity and fairness.

Students, teachers, parent(s)/guardian(s) and other community members shall be involved in the selection of mascots and other school identifiers in order to ensure that the objectives of this policy are met.

The Board of Directors shall have the final approval authority for all mascots and other identifiers. In the event the board determines that an existing mascot or other identifier violates this policy, it may require that use of the name be discontinued and that a new mascot or other identifier be selected.

The superintendent shall establish procedures for the representation of schools through identification such as mascots and colors.

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(cf.: 4225 – School Names)

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