TITLE: Administrator Certification Form - 2008-2009

NUMBER: MEM-4207.0

ISSUER: Jess Womack, Interim General Counsel
Office of the General Counsel

DATE: May 28, 2008

Due Dates: October 30, 2008; April 30, 2009

PURPOSE: The attached “Administrator Certification Form” is re-issued for the 2008-2009 school year to enable schools and offices to certify that the required actions and activities have been completed in accordance with District nondiscrimination and safety mandates, policies, and procedures. The form covers “certification” of compliance with:

- Antibullying Policy
- Child Abuse Reporting Procedures
- Hate-Motivated Incidents/Hate Crimes Policy
- Nondiscrimination/Harassment Policies/Procedures
- Parent Student Handbook Distribution Requirement
- Safe School Planning Mandates
- Section 504 and Students with Disabilities Policy and Procedures
- Sexual Harassment – Employees Policies and Procedures
- Sexual Harassment – Students Policies and Procedures
- Student and Employee Security Policy/Procedures
- Title IX Policy/Complaint Procedures
- Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP)


GUIDELINES: Completing and Forwarding the Form

For each required action, indicate the date when the action was completed, followed by an initial. Completed Administrative Certification Forms are to be submitted twice a year (1) By the October 30th due date, and (2) By April 30th due date - make a copy of form submitted by October 30th and submit it with the required certifications for the April 30th due date. Keep the final copy for your school or office file. School sites should forward the completed form to their respective Local District Operations Coordinator. Administrative offices are to forward the completed form to the appropriate Division Head.

To assist school site administrators, attached is a suggested checklist entitled “Administrative Certification 2008-2009 - Beginning of the Year Required Actions.”
RELATED RESOURCES:

- **Antibullying Policy (In Schools, at School-Related Events, and Traveling to and from School),** Bulletin No. BUL-1038.1, dated August 16, 2004, issued by the Office of the Chief Operating Officer.
- **Nondiscrimination Required Notices,** Memorandum issued annually by the Office of the General Counsel. (Reminder to schools and offices to publish and disseminate required nondiscrimination notices.)
- **Ordering and Distribution of Student Brochures – “Title IX and Nondiscrimination” and “Section 504 and Students with Disabilities”,** Memorandum issued by the Office of the General Counsel.
- **Parent Student Handbook Distribution** - Memorandum issued annually by the Office of the Chief Operating Officer.
- **Safe School Plans Volume 1 – (Prevention Programs) and Volume 2 - (Emergency Procedures) – Update,** Memorandum issued annually by the Office of Environmental Health and Safety.
- **Section 504 and Students with Disabilities,** Bulletin No. BUL-40450.0, dated January 15, 2008, issued by the Office of the General Counsel.
- **Sexual Harassment Policy (Student-to-Student, Adult-to-Student, and Student-to-Adult),** Bulletin No. BUL-3349.0, dated November 29, 2006, issued by the Office of the General Counsel.
- **Student and Employee Security,** Bulletin No. BUL-2368.1, dated March 6, 2006, issued by the Office of the Chief Operating Officer.
- **Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP),** Memorandum issued by the Office of the General Counsel. (This memorandum clarifies that uniform complaints may be used to file noncompliance or unlawful discrimination complaints and/or to appeal District decisions regarding such complaints)

ASSISTANCE: For assistance and further information, please contact the following District Offices:

- Local District Operations Coordinator
- Educational Equity Compliance Office at (213) 241-7682

Visit the Website of the Educational Equity Compliance Office to look up additional related information: Website-http://www.lausd.k12.ca.us/lausd/offices/eeec)
I certify that the foregoing information is true and complete:

Signature ___________________________ Title ___________________________ Date _____________

School Site/Administrative Office ________________________________________________________

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<td>□ Secondary Schools Only: “Title IX and Nondiscrimination” brochure distributed to and discussed with all students.</td>
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| Title IX Policy/Complaint Proced. BUL-2521.1, (Office of the General Counsel) | □ Provided training to all employees on child abuse laws, reporting procedures, and duties of mandated reporters. | |
| □ Local Child Abuse/Neglect Reporting Site Plan developed and discussed with all employees. | |
| □ Appropriate behavior with students and prohibitions against corporal punishment discussed with all staff. | |

| Child Abuse Reporting Child Abuse Reporting, Bulletin No. BUL-1347 (Office of the General Counsel) | Schools and Offices | |
| Antibusling Policy Antibusling Policy, Bulletin No. BUL-1038 (Office of the Chief Operating Officer) | □ Policy mandates communicated to both students and employees. | |
| □ Reporting procedures discussed with both students and employees. | |

| Student and Employee Security, BUL-2368.1 (Office of the Chief Operating Officer.) | □ Reviewed the information with students and staff during the first week of each semester at year-round schools and each semester for traditional calendar schools. | |

| Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) Uniform Complaint Procedures Memorandum (Issued Annually) (Office of the General Counsel) | Schools and Offices | |
| □ Information regarding UCP complaint procedures disseminated to staff, students, parents, school advisory committees, and other interested parties. | |

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Date and Initial to certify when each required action was completed

Due Dates: October 30, 2008 and April 30, 2009

School Sites: Administrative Offices: Return completed Certification Form to your Local District Operations Coordinator Return completed Certification Form to your Division Head

Parent Student Handbook Distribution

District Nondiscrimination Statement and Sexual Harassment Policy distributed to all employees

Student and Employee Security

Policy mandates communicated to both students and employees.

Reporting procedures discussed with both students and employees.

Safe School Plans – Volume 1 & Volume 2

Personnel assignments for the emergency response plan (Safe School Plan, Volume 2) have been identified and entered into the Safe School Plan Creator via “Inside LAUSD” by OCTOBER 1

Safe School Plan, Volume 1 updated by the school Safety Planning Committee by DECEMBER 1

Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP)

Information regarding UCP complaint procedures disseminated to staff, students, parents, school advisory committees, and other interested parties.

Title IX Policy/Complaint Proced. BUL-2521.1, (Office of the General Counsel)

Parent Student Handbook Distribution

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CHECKLIST FOR SCHOOL SITE ADMINISTRATORS


☐ Designate a Section 504 Administrative Designee, a Title IX Administrative Designee, and two (2) Title IX Complaint Managers. Provide names to local district by October 1, 2008.

☐ Order (free) from the District’s warehouse the following student brochures: – See Memorandum MEM-3671.0, “Ordering and Distribution of Student Brochures – Title IX and Nondiscrimination and Section 504 and Students with Disabilities,” issued by the Office of the General Counsel.
  
  o “Section 504 and Students with Disabilities” brochure – required for all schools.
  
  o “Title IX and Nondiscrimination – Students Know Your Rights” brochure – required for secondary schools.

☐ Provide students with information regarding the District’s “Nondiscrimination Statement” and “Sexual Harassment Policy” by distributing the following documents:
  
  o “Parent Student Handbook” distributed to every student during the first month of enrollment or at time of initial enrollment.
  
  o “Section 504 and Students with Disabilities” brochure distributed to every student at the beginning of the year or at time of initial enrollment.
  
  o “Title IX and Nondiscrimination – Students Know Your Rights” brochure distributed to all secondary school students at the beginning of the year or at time of initial enrollment.

Post the following District documents in the main administration building and other prominent locations where notices are regularly posted regarding rules, procedures, or standards of conduct, including staff lounges and student government meeting rooms (secondary schools). – See the following policy Memorandums/Bulletins issued by the Office of the General Counsel (1) MEM-4207.0, “Administrative Certification Form – 2008-2009,” (2) MEM-4208.0, “Nondiscrimination Required Notices – 2008-2009,” (3) BUL-3521.1, “Title IX Policy/Complaint Procedures,” (4) BUL-3349.0, “Sexual Harassment Policy (Student-to-Student, Adult-to-Student, and Student-to-Adult),” and (5) MEM-4210.0, Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) 2008-2009.”

- “Nondiscrimination Statement”
- “Sexual Harassment Policy”
- “Title IX Complaint Manager” posters with the names of the two (2) Title IX Complaint Managers
- “Uniform Complaint Procedures 2008-2009” Brochure

Schedule and conduct staff trainings as required in Administrative Certification Form – to include the following topics: – See Memorandum MEM-4207.0, “Administrative Certification Form – 2008-2009,” issued by the Office of the General Counsel. See attached list of related bulletins and memorandums.

- Antibullying policy/reporting procedures
- Child Abuse Reporting policy, including child abuse laws, reporting procedures, duties of mandated reporters, appropriate behavior with students, and prohibitions against corporal punishment.
- Hate-motivated incidents and crimes policy/reporting procedures
- Nondiscrimination Statement
- Safe School Plan – Emergency Procedures
- Sexual Harassment Policy (involving students as well as employees)
- Student and Employee Security
- Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP)

Schedule and conduct student trainings as required in Administrative Certification Form to be in age-appropriate language as part of any orientation program conducted for students at the beginning of each track or semester. - See Memorandum MEM-4207.0, “Administrative Certification Form – 2008-2009,” issued by the Office of the General Counsel. See attached list of related bulletins and memorandums to be presented.

- Antibullying policy/reporting procedures
- Hate-motivated incidents and crimes policy/reporting procedures
- Nondiscrimination Statement, including complaint reporting procedures
- Sexual Harassment Policy/reporting procedures, including informing students of the school’s Title IX Complaint Managers
- Student and Employee Security
- Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP)

Update and revise the school’s Safe School Plan as follows: - See Reference Guide issued annually by the Office of Environmental Health and Safety.

- Safe School Plan - Emergency Procedures (Volume 2) – update due by October 1
- Safe School Plan - Prevention Programs (Volume 1) – update due by December 1
Distribute annually information regarding Uniform Complaint Procedures to parents or guardians in any form that will reach the school community. Distribution of the District’s “Parent Student Handbook” fulfills requirement, but schools may include UCP information in school’s parent newsletter, update, etc. In addition, the UCP Brochures may be used to provide information regarding the District’s formal complaint procedures to staff, school site advisory committees and other interested parties. Copies of the UCP Brochure should be available in the Main Office and Parent Center, if applicable. - See Memorandum “Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP)” issued annually by the Office of the General Counsel.

SECTION 504 REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST
See Bulletin BUL-4045.0, “Section 504 and Students with Disabilities,” issued by the Office of the General Counsel

☐ In-service all staff on Section 504 and nondiscrimination policy and responsibilities, including legal obligations, eligibility, evaluation, and re-evaluation, as applicable.

☐ Establish procedures and responsibilities for Special Education Office Technician/Clerk (MCD Clerk) designated to support special education and Section 504 related paperwork at the school level.

☐ Run a Section 504 student report from the Student Information System (SIS)/Integrated Student Information System (ISIS).

☐ Identify a Section 504 Case Manager for each student being served under Section 504 who is responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Section 504 Plan. The Section 504 Case Manager is to ensure that staff has appropriate materials for implementation of accommodations and monitor periodically across the instructional day for Section 504 Plan implementation, i.e. using the “Section 504 Implementation Monitoring Log.”

☐ Distribute the “Section 504 Plan Distribution Notice” (Form J), along with a copy of the Section 504 Plan, to applicable teachers/staff for each student with a Section 504 Plan.

☐ Ensure applicable teachers/staff understand the accommodations listed on each student’s Section 504 Plan and the obligation/requirement to implement as written.

☐ Ensure appropriate staff is aware, has been trained, or is available for students having Section 504 accommodations related to medical needs.

☐ Ensure that a re-evaluation of the Section 504 Plan takes place periodically (at least every three years) or anytime there is an indication, evidence, or it is determined that the Section 504 Plan is not effective in addressing the student’s area(s) of educational impact or the Section 504 Plan is not appropriate or applicable to the student’s disability or educational placement.

☐ Afford equal opportunities for students with disabilities to participate in extra-curricular activities with reasonable accommodations by establishing objective standards for participation that are communicated and applied uniformly.
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- **Responding to and Reporting Hate-Motivated Incidents and Crimes.** Bulletin No. BUL-2047.0, dated October 10, 2005, issued by the Office of the General Counsel.

- **Safe School Plans Volume 1 – (Prevention Programs) and Volume 2 - (Emergency Procedures) - Update** – Reference Guide issued annually by the Office of Environmental Health and Safety.

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for information, assistance, District policy/forms, or to request technical assistance, support, or training.

May 2008