Madison City Schools Title IX Policy and Procedure Packet

- 6.9.1 <u>Prohibition</u> In accordance with Title IX (20 U.S.C. §1681, *et seq.*), the Board strictly prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex or gender in its programs or activities, including sexual harassment, as defined by law and Board policy. Sexual harassment complaints should be filed and reviewed under the Board's student sexual harassment policy. All other complaints under Title IX will be filed and reviewed according to the Board's general complaint and grievance procedures.
- 6.9.2 <u>Title IX Coordinator</u> The Superintendent is authorized and directed to designate a Title IX Coordinator, whose duties will include but not be limited to receiving and responding to Title IX inquiries and complaints.
- 6.23.5 Reporting, Investigation, and Complaint Resolution Procedures -

Complaints alleging violations of this policy must be made on Board approved complaint forms available at the principal and/or counselor's office. The complaint must be signed by the student alleging the violation or by the student's parent or legal guardian and delivered to the principal or the principal's designee either by mail or personal delivery. At the request of the complaining student or the student's parent or legal guardian, incidental or minor violations of the policy may be presented and resolved informally.

Upon receipt of the complaint, the principal or the principal's designee will, in their sole discretion, determine if the complaint alleges a serious violation of this policy. If the principal or the principal's designee determines that the complaint alleges a serious violation, the principal or the principal's designee will undertake an investigation of the complaint. The investigation will entail the gathering of relevant facts and evidence and will be conducted in a reasonably prompt time period taking into account the circumstances of the complaint. If the investigation establishes a violation, appropriate disciplinary sanctions will be imposed on the offending student(s). Other measures that are reasonably calculated to prevent a recurrence of the violation(s) may also be imposed by the principal or the school system. The person reporting the violation may, upon request, be given an explanation of the outcome of the investigation and of any steps taken to prevent a recurrence of the violation, subject to any limitations on the disclosure thereof that may be imposed by law. A person reporting a violation who is not satisfied with the outcome of the investigation may appeal the decision in writing to the local Superintendent.

Acts of reprisal or retaliation against any student who has reported a violation of this policy or sought relief provided by this policy are prohibited, and are themselves a violation of this policy. Any confirmed acts of reprisal or retaliation will be subject to disciplinary sanctions that may include any sanction, penalty, or consequence that is available to school officials under the Code of Student Conduct. A student who deliberately, recklessly, and falsely accuses another student of a violation of this policy will be subject to disciplinary sanctions as outlined in the Code of Student Conduct.

The complaint form developed to report violations of this policy will include a provision for reporting a threat of suicide by a student. If a threat of suicide is reported, the principal or the principal's designee will inform the student's parent or guardian of the report.

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Student Grievance Form based on Harassment, Sexual Harassment, and Other Grievances or Complaints

By completing this form, I am filing a grievance or complaint against the person named below. I request that my grievance be heard and request an appropriate response or corrective action.

Harassment, Violence or Threats of Violence by a student Sexual Harassment Other Complaint or Grievance, specifically: Student Name: Date: School: Grade: Who is the person against whom you wish to file this grievance: What did this person do: State specifically what the person did and how it affected you (Attach additional paper, if needed.) When did this happen (over what time if continuing or more than once): Do you have suggestions for resolving this situation? If so, list them here: (Attach additional paper, if needed) Student Signature (or parent/guardian): Printed Name: DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE ***********************************	This Grievance or Complaint is b	ased on:		
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