

STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION P.O. BOX 2360 HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96804

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

July 25, 2022



TO: Complex Area Superintendents Principals (All)

FROM: Keith T. Hayashi Cuth Mary

SUBJECT: Annual Notice of Non-Discrimination Requirement DUE DATE: Friday, September 2, 2022

The Civil Rights Compliance Branch (CRCB) has created two (2) notices that must be disseminated to comply with certain Federal and State Civil Rights laws, rules, regulations, and/or guidelines. Specifically, these notices satisfy the compliance requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

## Annual Notice of Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Statement

The CRCB created the "Annual Notice of Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Statement" (Annual Notice) in order to satisfy the above-referenced compliance requirements. The attached Annual Notice has been updated and translated into 15 languages (See Exhibit A attached).

Please post a copy of the attached Annual Notice and its translations on your school's website. It must also be prominently posted in your school's office and at various locations throughout the school (i.e., on bulletin boards containing other notices). Please keep a copy of the Annual Notice and its translations at your school's front desk in case parents request a copy.

The Annual Notice is also included in the 2022-2023 Opening of the School Year packet that goes to all employees at the beginning of the school year.

## **Continuous Notice of Non-Discrimination**

The CRCB also created the "Continuous Notice of Non-Discrimination" (Continuous Notice) in order to satisfy the above compliance requirements. The attached Continuous Notice has been updated (See Exhibit B attached).

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Please include the attached Continuous Notice in any electronic or printed publication of general distribution that provide information to students, employees, or applicants about the school's services and policies including, but not limited to:

- Announcements;
- Bulletins;
- Catalogs;
- Student planners;
- School handbooks;
- Registration documents; and
- Application forms (if applicable).

This should be done on a continuous basis throughout the school year.

These notices must be posted as instructed by Friday, September 2, 2022. Please return the attached Publication Confirmation by Friday, September 9, 2022 (See Exhibit C attached). The CRCB will assess whether schools are correctly posting the notice and provide guidance and feedback as necessary.

If there are any questions regarding the instructions concerning the Annual Notice or the Continuous Notice, please contact Beth Schimmelfennig, Director for the CRCB, via email at beth.schimmelfennig@k12.hi.us or Rhonda Wong, Civil Rights Compliance Specialist for the CRCB, via email at rhonda.wong@k12.hi.us or via phone at (808) 586-3322.

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Attachments: 1) Exhibit A: Annual Notice

- 2) Exhibit B: Continuous Notice
- 3) Exhibit C: Publication Confirmation
- c: Deputy Superintendent Assistant Superintendents Civil Rights Compliance Branch