

STUDENTS

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES – Equal Educational Opportunities – Sex Equity

No student shall, on the basis of his or her sex, be denied equal access to programs, activities (exception being contact sports), services or benefits, or be limited in the exercise of any right, privilege, advantage, or opportunity.

The Regional Superintendent is the Coordinator for Nondiscrimination for the Regional Office of Education. Students and parents shall be notified annually of their right to initiate a grievance or complaint or illegal discrimination and of the Regional Superintendent to whom such complaints shall be directed.

Within seven (7) calendar days of receiving a grievance or complaint of illegal discrimination, the Regional Superintendent shall send a copy of the ROE's written grievance procedure to the complainant. The Regional Superintendent shall investigate the nature and validity of the grievance with those responsible for the program or activity cited by the complainant. The Regional Superintendent may seek advice from related state agencies or legal counsel. Within sixty (60) days of receiving the grievance, the Regional Superintendent shall render a written decision, including the steps to be taken for further appeal of that decision.

The decision of the Regional Superintendent may be further appealed to the State Superintendent of Education pursuant to Section 2-3.8 of The School Code of Illinois, as provided in Section 200.90 (b) of the Sex Equity Rules.

The Regional Office of Education shall evaluate its policies and practices in terms of the requirements of the state's Sex Equity Rules once each four years, commencing in October 1991. Any policy or practice, which does not meet the requirements, shall be modified via a written sex equity plan.

LEG. REF.: Ill. Rev. Stat., ch. 122, para. 10-22.5.
Ill. Rev. Stat., ch. 122, para. 27-1.
23 Ill. Adm. Code, ch. I, section 200.

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