# Equity Coordinator Responsibilities Checklist

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• Notice provided to community of national origin persons with limited English language skills in their language

• Review grievance procedure, update grievance forms and make them available on website, offices, buildings

• Review Bullying and Harassment policy for alignment with protected classes and required components

• Information about the non-discrimination policies, harassment/bullying/hazing policies, the name and contact information for the equity coordinator(s), and the related grievance procedure is disseminated annually to:
  • board members
  • administrators
  • all employees
  • students
  • parents
  • applicants for employment.

• Consider making annual equity reports with recommendations to the School Improvement Advisory committee (SIAC) and the school board

4. Professional Development

• Training of staff that will make them aware of their rights under the legislation as well as assist them to carry out their responsibilities under the law.

• Training of students that will make them aware of their rights under the legislation as well as assist them to carry out their responsibilities under the law.

• Conduct periodic conversations with students and staff on ways the district might respect, reflect and celebrate all facets of diversity.

• Professional Development Provided to Staff:
- Multicultural and Gender Fair Practices
- Cultural Proficiency
- English Language Learners
- Students with Disabilities, including Section 504

5. **Facilitate the Grievance Process**

- Mediate conflicts and ensure prompt and effective processing of complaints through the facilitation of the agency’s board adopted civil rights grievance procedure
- Training received by equity coordinator(s) on grievance procedures, role in the complaint process and how records are kept (including sexual harassment)

6. **Monitoring:**

- Review high school registration handbooks, course descriptions, program brochures, and course announcements
- Review course promotional materials and activities to ensure they do not promote stereotypes or restrictions based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability or other protected groups
- Review supports available for English Language Learners and students with disabilities in courses
- Review counseling program and identify steps taken to ensure that disproportionate course enrollment does not result from unlawful discrimination in counseling activities
- Review counseling program to ensure access for English Language Learners and students with hearing impairments
- Summary of annual review of course enrollment data disaggregated by subgroup
- Description of how these data are collected and used, frequency, by whom, for what purpose
- Evidence that counselors, educators and administrators are taking on-going steps to recruit students who have been over or underrepresented

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