



Notice
July 29, 2011

Dennis M. Walcott
Chancellor

AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION OF THE CHANCELLOR

Number: A-832

Subject: STUDENT-TO-STUDENT BIASED-BASED HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, AND/OR BULLYING

I. Description of the subject and purpose of the proposed item under consideration.

Chancellor's Regulation A-832 amends the prior version of the Regulation, dated September 3, 2008. The amendments to the Regulation are summarized as follows:

- Bias-based harassment, intimidation and/or bullying includes acts committed by students against other students on account of weight. (p. 1, Section I (A) and (B))
- Bias-based harassment includes harassment that substantially interferes with a student's mental, emotional or physical well-being. (p. 1, Section I (C))
- Staff members who are designated to receive reports of bias-based harassment (referred to as RFA liaison(s)) serve as a resource for the school on this issue and may receive reports from students or staff. (p.2, Section II (A))
- Parents may report student-to-student bias-based harassment, intimidation, and/or bullying to the principal or the principal's designee or by e-mailing RespectforAll@schools.nyc.gov. Such reports must be handled pursuant to the procedures in this Regulation. (p. 2, Section II (E))
- Where the principal/designee believes that alleged bias-based harassment, intimidation or bullying constitutes criminal conduct, he/she may consult with the Office of Legal Services and/or the CFN Network Leader. (p.2, Section II (F))
- A copy of the school's report of an allegation of bias-based harassment must be sent to the CFN Network Leader. (p.3, Section III (E))
- Each principal/designee must ensure that the policy and procedures set forth in this Regulation are discussed with students and staff members by October 31 of each year. (p. 4, Section V (C))

- Each school must submit the following information in its annual Consolidated School & Youth Development Plan by October 31: (1) the name of the RFA liaison(s); (2) certification that at least one RFA liaison has already attended or will attend within the school year OSYD training on human relations in the areas of race, color, creed, ethnicity, national origin, citizenship/immigration status, religion, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, disability and weight; (3) certification that the policy and procedures in this Regulation have been discussed with students and staff members; and (4) a plan for preventing and addressing bias-based harassment, intimidation, and/or bullying. (p. 5, Section VI)
- The following attachments to the Regulation have been revised to include “weight” as a prohibited basis for bias-based harassment, intimidation and/or bullying: the summary of prohibited bias-based harassment, intimidation, and/or bullying (Attachment No. 1); the complaint form (Attachment No. 2); the Respect for All poster (Attachment No. 3); and the Respect for All brochure (Attachment No. 4).

II. Information regarding where the full text of the proposed item may be obtained.

The full text of the amendments to the Regulation, and the Regulation in its entirety, can be found on the main page of the PEP website: http://schools.nyc.gov/NR/rdonlyres/677619F4-CA6A-4793-AC86-74073D2FEFA4/112078/A832RegulationFullText_Final.pdf

III. The name, office, address, email and telephone number of the city district representative, knowledgeable on the item under consideration, from whom information may be obtained concerning the item and to whom written or oral comments regarding the item under consideration can be submitted.

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IV. Date, time and place of the PEP meeting at which the Board will vote on the proposed item under consideration.

September 14, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. at The Michael Petrides School located at 715 Ocean Terrace, Staten Island, NY 10301.