

## **Students**

### **POSITIVE SCHOOL CLIMATE**

**SP 5137.00**

The County Superintendent desires to provide orderly and caring learning environments in which all students feel comfortable, share the responsibility for maintaining a positive school climate, and take pride in their school/program and their achievements.

County Office employees shall encourage attitudes and behaviors that promote mutual respect and harmonious relations. The school staff shall promote nonviolent conflict resolution techniques, help students identify and solve programs that affect their school or program.

The school staff shall not tolerate any comments or gestures which are vulgar or obscene or which denigrate others on account of sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, handicap or disadvantage. Students shall be subject to disciplinary procedures for bullying other students or for using insults, slurs or fighting words which may disrupt activities.

The curriculum and counseling programs shall foster positive racial and ethnic identity, help students understand diverse cultures, teach them to think critically about racial bias and show them how to deal with discriminatory behavior in appropriate ways.

School and program staff shall encourage and reward success and achievement, participation in community projects and positive student conduct.

## **MENDOCINO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION**

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