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# El Monte Union High School District Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) Annual Notice 2023-2024

The <u>El Monte Union High School District</u> annually notifies our students, employees, parents or guardians of its students, the district advisory committee, school advisory committees, appropriate private school officials, and other interested parties of our Uniform Complaint Procedures (UCP) process.

The UCP Annual Notice is available on our website at https://www.emuhsd.org/Page/164.

We are primarily responsible for compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, including those related to unlawful discrimination, harassment, intimidation or bullying against any protected group, and all programs and activities that are subject to the UCP.

### Programs and Activities Subject to the UCP

- · Accommodations for Pregnant and Parenting Pupils, Lactating Pupils
- Adult Education Programs
- After School Education and Safety
- Agricultural Career Technical Education
- · Career Technical and Technical Education and Career Technical and Technical Training Programs
- · Child Care and Development Programs
  - Compensatory Education
- Consolidated Categorical Aid Programs
- · Course Periods without Educational Content
- Discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying against any protected group as identified under sections 200 and 220 and Section 11135 of the Government Code, including any actual or perceived characteristic as set forth in Section 422.55 of the Penal Code, or on the basis of a person's association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, in any program or activity conducted by an educational institution, as defined in Section 210.3, that is funded directly by, or that receives or benefits from, any state financial assistance.
- Educational and graduation requirements for pupils in foster care, pupils who are homeless, pupils from military families, migrant and/or immigrant students participating in newcomer programs, and pupils formerly in Juvenile Court now enrolled in a school district
- · Every Student Succeeds Act
- · Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP)
- Migrant Education
- Physical Education Instructional Minutes
- Pupil Fees
- Regional Occupational Centers and Programs
- School Plans for Student Achievement
- · School Safety Plans
- School Site Councils
- · State Preschool
- State Preschool Health and Safety Issues in LEAs Exempt from Licensing
- · Any complaint alleging retaliation against a complainant or other participant in the complaint process or anyone who has

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acted to uncover or report a violation subject to this policy.

Any other complaint as specified in the district policy.

And any other state or federal educational program the State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SSPI) of the California Department of Education (CDE) or designee deems appropriate.

### Filing a UCP Complaint

A UCP complaint shall be filed no later than one year from the date the alleged violation occurred.

For complaints relating to Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP), the date of the alleged violation is the date when the reviewing authority approves the LCAP or annual update that was adopted by our agency.

A pupil enrolled in any of our public schools shall not be required to pay a pupil fee for participation in an educational activity.

A pupil fee complaint may be filed with the principal of a school or our superintendent or their designee.

A pupil fee or LCAP complaint may be filed anonymously, that is, without an identifying signature, if the complainant provides evidence or information leading to evidence to support an allegation of noncompliance.

#### Responsibilities of the El Monte Union High School District

We shall post a standardized notice, in addition to this notice, with educational and graduation requirements for pupils in foster care, pupils who are homeless, pupils from military families, migrant students, and immigrant students enrolled in a newcomer program, as specified in Education Code 48853,48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, and 51225.2, and pupils formerly in Juvenile Court now enrolled in a school district.

We shall investigate in accordance with the district's UCP and a written decision will be sent to the complaint within 60 days from the receipt of the complaint, unless extended by the written agreement of the complainant.

We advise complainants of the opportunity to appeal an Investigation Report of complaints regarding programs within the scope of the UCP to the Department of Education (CDE) within 30 days of receiving the district's decision.

We advise complainants of civil law remedies, including injunctions, restraining orders, or other remedies or orders that may be available under state or federal discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying laws, if applicable.

Copies of our UCP procedures shall be available free of charge.

#### **Contact Information**

Complaints within the scope of the UCP are to be filed with the person responsible for processing complaints:

Laura Rivas, Ed.DI, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services
Robin Torres, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources
3537 Johnson Avenue
El Monte, CA 91731
(626) 444-9005

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The above contact is knowledgeable about the laws and programs they are assigned to investigate in the El Monte Union High School District.

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