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## **SEXUAL HARASSMENT**

It is the policy of the Sunapee School Board that all employees and students within the Unit should be able to work and study in an environment that is free of sexual discrimination and sexual harassment.

Sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, non-verbal, verbal, and/or physical conduct of a sexual nature constitute sexual harassment when:

- 1. Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment or education;
- 2. Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for academic or employment decisions affecting that individual;
- 3. Such conduct has the purpose or effect of substantially interfering with an individual's academic or professional performance or of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive employment, educational, or living environment.

Sexual harassment is illegal under both State and Federal laws. In some cases, the individual may be susceptible to prosecution under the criminal sexual conduct law.

The Board has established a grievance procedure to address discrimination complaints. See AC-R

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