BP 5530      Student Rights and Grievances

Reference: Education Code Sections 76030, 76037; Title 5; Nondiscrimination in Programs Receiving State Financial Assistance through the Chancellor or Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, commencing with Section 59300, et seq., Hartnell College Affirmative Action Plan

Grievances and complaints by Hartnell College students, concerning Hartnell College personnel and/or procedures, shall be handled in compliance with Title IX, the California Education Code, and this policy. Students shall be granted and assured all rights and procedures inherent in the above, and Hartnell College shall make a comprehensive effort to ensure that all students are informed of and, as applicable, assisted with these procedures.

Student grievances include:

1) charges of discrimination on the basis of sex, race, color, ancestry, ethnic group, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, or disability;

2) arbitrary imposition of sanctions without proper regard for individual civil rights and due process;

3) prejudiced or capricious decision in the academic evaluation of a student's performance;

4) other complaint(s) as determined in the legislation and policies stated above.

The college will establish and disseminate policies and procedures which protect the rights of students and that detail student rights and responsibilities, as well as standards of conduct.

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