

Membership in secret fraternities or sororities, or in other clubs not sponsored by established and recognized adult nonprofit agencies or organizations, is prohibited. Secret fraternities, sororities, or clubs have been adjudged by the courts to include those social clubs, operating off campus, which nevertheless derive their membership wholly or in part from the public schools; which practice a process of selection designed to create an exclusive membership; and which seek to maintain the club's segregation, distinction, and caste system of self-perpetuation through rushing, pledging, and undemocratic selection of new members.

Extracurricular activities, clubs, organizations, or fraternities/sororities associated with the District or any the schools within the District may not discriminate against or refuse participation in such activity, club, organization, or fraternity/ sorority on the basis of race, color, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, religion, marital or parental status, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, or genetic information, the perception of one or more of such characteristics, or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

Board of Trustees

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