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#### 5120 - **ASSIGNMENT WITHIN DISTRICT**

The Board of Education directs that the assignment of students to schools within this District be consistent with the best interests of students and the best use of the resources of this District.

The Board shall determine periodically the school attendance areas of the District and shall expect the students within each area to attend the school so designated.

The Superintendent shall periodically review existing attendance areas and recommend to the Board such changes as may be justified by:

- A. considerations of safe student transportation and travel;
- B. convenience of access to schools;
- C. financial and administrative efficiency;
- D. the effectiveness of the instructional program;
- E. **maintenance of racial balance amongst the District's schools** ~~a wholesome and educationally sound balance of student populations.~~

#### SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS

The Board supports the neighborhood school concept. School districts affirm the educational and practical values inherent in this traditional practice especially at the elementary level for the following reasons:

- A. the efficient and educationally effective use of the capacities of each school;
- B. the geographic location of each school in its relationship to the surrounding student population;
- C. recognition of community interest; (Where possible, attendance areas shall recognize neighborhood identities)
- D. utilization of safe conditions in terms of time, distances and transportation to and from school to reduce safety hazards; and
- E. communications between home and school are facilitated.

The administrative staff shall establish, and the Board shall approve, the attendance areas for the various schools in the District.

No assignment to schools or attendance schedules shall discriminate against students on the basis of ~~gender, race, religion, disability, or national origin.~~ **race, color, national origin, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), disability, religion, or ancestry.**

The Superintendent may assign a student to a school other than that designated by the attendance area when such exception is justified by circumstances and is in the best interest of the student.

The Superintendent shall assign incoming transfer students to such schools, grades, and classes as may afford each student the greatest likelihood of realizing fullest educational potential.

The principal shall assign students ~~in his/her school~~ **within the building** to appropriate grades, classes, grades, or groups. This action shall be based on consideration of the needs of the student as well as the administration of the school.

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