



## **SECTION IV: STUDENTS**

## **POLICY 4265**

### **USE OF MULTIPLE OCCUPANCY RESTROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS**

Pursuant to SB615 (2022), each multioccupancy restroom and changing area located in public schools serving students in prekindergarten through twelfth grades shall be designated as either for the exclusive use of the male sex or for the exclusive use of the female sex.

“Sex,” for the purposes of this policy is defined as the physical condition of being male or female based on genetics and physiology, as identified on the individual’s original birth certificate.

“Multiple occupancy restroom or changing area” is defined as an area in a public school or public charter school building designed or designated to be used by more than one individual at a time, where individuals may be in various stages of undress in the presence of other individuals. The term may include but is not limited to a school restroom, locker room, changing room, or shower room.

“School” means any public school and public charter school that serves students in prekindergarten through twelfth grades in this state.

“Individual,” for the purposes of this policy is defined as any student of the District.

“Coach,” for the purposes of this policy is defined as a person employed by the district who is involved in the teaching or training of students participating in a school-sponsored athletic activity.

“School-sponsored athletic activity” for the purposes of this policy is defined as a sporting event that is supported and affiliated with the district such as games, matches and tournaments.

If an individual does not wish to comply by using the appropriate restroom or changing room based on sex as defined herein, the District shall provide a reasonable accommodation by providing access to a single-occupancy restroom or changing room.

An individual shall be disciplined by the District for refusing to (a) use the appropriate multiple occupancy restroom or changing area designated for their sex as defined herein, (b) designate multiple occupancy restrooms or changing areas for the exclusive use of one sex as defined herein, or (c) provide access to a single-occupancy restroom or changing room to an individual who does not wish to utilize the multiple occupancy restroom or changing area designated for their sex, provided that such individual is authorized to be on District premises. Students shall be disciplined pursuant to the District’s student behavior policy.

This policy does not apply to individuals entering the multioccupancy restroom or changing facility for the opposite sex under the following circumstances:

1. For custodial, maintenance, or inspection purposes;
2. To render emergency medical assistance, or
3. If a suitable meeting room or area is not available, a coach may enter a locker room before, during, or after a school-sponsored athletic activity, provided:



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- All students present are fully clothed;
- The coach shall be accompanied by at least one additional adult at all times; and
- If the coach is the opposite sex of the students present, the coach shall be accompanied by at least one adult of the same sex as the students present.

The adult accompanying the coach shall not be a current high school student.

Reference: OKLA. STAT. tit. 70 § 1-125.

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