

Minneapolis Public Schools Policy 5261

Policy

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DESEGREGATION

I. GENERAL PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to state the position of the school district with regard to racial desegregation issues and in relation to the district's commitment to high achievement for all students.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

The goals of the Minneapolis Public Schools are to increase the achievement of all students; develop mutual trust and involvement in the community; and increase accountability for student success.

The goal of increasing achievement of all students will occur through creating and maintaining school environments that are welcoming to students to all economic, racial and cultural identities. Diverse learning communities are a primary strength of Minneapolis Public Schools. Minneapolis Public Schools believes that all students must be educated about the broad and rich heritage of all communities in Minneapolis.

School choice is the primary strategy to ensure diverse learning communities. Students will not be placed in schools on the basis of their racial identities.

Legal References: MN Rules Chapter 3535.0100 to 3535.0180

Cross References: Minneapolis Public Schools Strategic Direction, 1998

Minneapolis Public Schools District Improvement Agenda

Minneapolis Public Schools Eliminating the Gap, June 1995

and Phase I Implementation, December 1995

Policy 5700, Students with Disabilities