

6Hx19-6.35 EDUCATIONAL EQUITY

The purpose of this Board Rule is to establish Board policy regarding equal access to and equal opportunity in admission to Pasco-Hernando State College programs.

The District Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College shall provide equal access to and equal opportunity in admission to programs for qualified applicants without regard to race, color, age, national origin, religion, marital status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, disabling condition, ethnicity, pregnancy, or any other factor or condition protected by law. In addition, the College shall not solicit, collect, maintain, or utilize genetic information, as defined in Federal regulations for any purpose.

The College subscribes to the fullest extent to the principle of the dignity of all persons and will take affirmative action to ensure that qualified applicants and enrolled students are treated equally. Students who feel they have been subject to discrimination or denial of equal access under this Rule must follow the procedures set forth in Internal Management Memorandum (IMM) #6-17 *Student Grievance Procedures*.

Any student may contact the Office of Education Access and Engagement prior to proceeding under IMM #6-17 *Student Grievance Procedures* for guidance and consultation.

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Legal Authority:

General Authority: Florida Statutes 1001.64; 1001.65

Other References: Florida Administrative Code 6A-19

Law Implemented: Florida Statutes 1000.05; 1001.64((1)(4)(7)(8)(43)(44);
1001.65(1)(16)(25)

Proposer: Timothy L. Beard, President

■President's Cabinet Approval – Non-Substantive/Editorial