NORTHWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY: 112

TITLE: Non-Discrimination/Non-Harassment Compliance

CROSS-REFERENCE(S):

111 (Administrative Policy - Disability Accommodation)

111A (Administrative Procedure - Disability Accommodation)

113 (Administrative Policy - Unlawful Discrimination/Harassment/Sexual Harassment/Sexual Misconduct/Sexual Violence Complaints)

113A (Administrative Procedure - Title IX Unlawful Discrimination/Harassment/Sexual Harassment/Sexual Misconduct/Sexual Violence Complaints)

113B (Administrative Procedure - Unlawful Discrimination/Harassment/Sexual Harassment/Sexual Misconduct/Sexual Violence Complaints Grievance Procedure)

114 (Administrative Policy – Sexual Violence Elimination Commitment)

115 (Administrative Policy – Timely Warning Notice and Immediate Notification)

115A (Administrative Procedure – Timely Warning Notice and Immediate Notification) 125A (Administrative Procedure – Complaint Resolution)

220 (Administrative Policy - Student Relations)

Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, US Department of Education

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Title II of The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended

The Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008

Wisconsin Fair Employment Law, Section 111.31-39

1993 Wisconsin Act 427, effective May 7, 1994

Equal Pay Act of 1963, as amended

Age Discrimination in Employment Act

Higher Education Act of 1965, § 485(f) (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f))

Clery Act, as amended, Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE Act) as authorized by Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act Report Sexual Harassment/Misconduct/Violence and/or Unlawful Harassment/Discrimination at NorthwoodTech.edu/Report

Northwood Technical College (Northwood Tech or the College) does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ancestry, religion, sex, service in the uniformed services, veteran status, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, marital or family status, pregnancy, pregnancy-related conditions or status in any group protected by federal, state or local law in employment, admissions or its programs, services or activities in compliance with Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI, VII), Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX) and Section 504 and Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (Section 504/Title II) and The Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008 (Amendments Act), Clery Act, as amended, Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE Act) as authorized by Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act, and the Higher Education Act of 1965, § 485(f) (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)).

Equal Opportunity Employment includes, but is not limited to, the following areas: recruitment, selection, hiring, training, promotion, transfer, layoff, retention, return from layoff, compensation and fringe benefits, terminations, certification, testing and committee/team appointments.

The Policy of Non-Discrimination/Non-Harassment Compliance is a key to the overall commitment of the College to equal employment and equal educational opportunity and directs the College in making decisions relating to the College facilities, employment of personnel, selection of educational materials, equipment, curriculum, and regulations affecting students and placement of qualified minorities at all levels of employment when deficiencies exist through affirmative action and providing reasonable accommodations for students and employees with disabilities and religious observances and practices. Affirmative action is required for women, racial/ethnic minorities, and persons with disabilities throughout the district and job categories. Staff share affirmative action program responsibility and performance systems/standards will include an equal opportunity/affirmative action component. Further, the College will certify that vendors and suppliers of services do not discriminate and encourage purchase of services and/or products from women, minority, and disabled business owners.

Amanda Gohde, Vice President, Talent & Culture, 1900 College Drive, Rice Lake WI 54868, 715.645.7042, amanda.gohde@NorthwoodTech.edu, has been designated to oversee compliance with federal and state statutory and regulatory requirements related to equal employment and equal educational opportunities including Title IX, Title VI, Title VI, Section 504, Section 508, Title II, Clery Act, as amended, Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE Act) as authorized by Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act, the guidance supplied by Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights and to handle inquiries, investigations and resolve complaints regarding the College's equal opportunity and



non-discrimination/non-harassment policies for students, employees and student/employee applicants. Employees and students may also report complaints to Tom Barbano, Director of Workforce Success/Deputy Title IX Coordinator, 1019 South Knowles Avenue, New Richmond, WI 54017, 715.246.1804, tom.barbano@NorthwoodTech.edu, any member of the College Leadership Team, via the online reporting form at NorthwoodTech.edu/Report, or to law enforcement as appropriate.

To ensure compliance with the intent of state laws and regulations and the guidance supplied by the Office of Civil Rights, procedures for resolving complaints/grievances have been adopted by the College.

Complaints of alleged acts of unlawful discrimination and/or unlawful harassment which are in violation of the non-discrimination/non-harassment policy under which the College operates shall be filed directly with Amanda Gohde, Vice President, Talent & Culture, who has been designated the Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer and Title IX Coordinator for the College. All complaints or reports of alleged acts or charges will be handled under the developed procedures that will include, but are not limited to, taking immediate action to eliminate the acts or actions in violation of the Policy, preventing its recurrence, addressing its effects, publishing a notice of non-discrimination, adopting and publishing complaint procedures and ensuring College employees are trained to respond to issues/complaints promptly and equitably. Reports may also be filed via the online reporting form at NorthwoodTech.edu/Report.

Individuals who engage in unlawful discriminatory and/or unlawful harassment practices are subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment or expulsion.

For more information on types of unlawful discrimination/harassment/sexual harassment/sexual misconduct/sexual violence examples, rights and responsibilities, and the complaint/grievance procedures, please contact Amanda Gohde, Vice President, Talent & Culture/Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Officer and Title IX Coordinator, at amanda.gohde@NorthwoodTech.edu or 715.645.7042.

Reference: This policy requires **Board approval** per Wisconsin Technical College System Methods of Administration requirements and the regulations promulgated by the authority of Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Title II of The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended

The Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008

Wisconsin Fair Employment Law, Section 111.31-39

1993 Wisconsin Act 427, effective May 7, 1994

Equal Pay Act of 1963, as amended

Age Discrimination in Employment Act

Higher Education Act of 1965, § 485(f) (20 U.S.C. § 1092(f))

Clery Act, as amended, Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE Act) as authorized by Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act

Questions regarding this policy should be directed to the Vice President, Talent & Culture.

Policy Adopted: February 19, 1976

Policy Revised: July 10, 1978

January 1, 2000 April 5, 2005

August 7, 2012 (incorporated J-111 & G-111)

August 12, 2014 July 28, 2015

August 17, 2020 (Revisions made in conjunction with Legal Counsel)

August 16, 2021 August 15, 2022 August 16, 2023 August 21, 2024

August 20, 2025 (Revisions made in conjunction with Legal Counsel)

Policy Reviewed: August 15, 2016

August 21, 2017

August 20, 2018 June 11, 2019 July 8, 2019 (Board)

RESIDENT

NORTHWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE