# Los Angeles Unified School District Celebrating Religious Diversity Resources

## **LAUSD Resources**

Office of Student Civil Rights (213) 241-7682; http://achieve.lausd.net/eeco

Educational Equity Compliance Office responds to and investigates allegations of bullying, discrimination and harassment, and provides support, resources and legal and compliance training.

Equal Opportunity Section (213) 241-7685; http://achieve.lausd.net/Page/3056

Equal Opportunity Section responds to and investigates allegations of employee-to-employee and student-to-employee harassment and discrimination.

Human Relations Diversity and Equity Office (213) 241-8719; https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/11692

Human Relations Diversity and Equity promotes affirming learning and working environments through support services and professional development in the areas of bullying prevention and response, crisis intervention, mediation, threat assessments and advocacy.

Los Angeles School Police (213) 625-6631; www.laspd.com

Los Angeles School Police responds to and investigates allegations of hate-motivated incidents.

Office of the General Counsel (213) 241-7600; http://achieve.lausd.net/Page/2573

Office of the General Counsel provides legal advice and responds to litigation on behalf of the District.

#### School Mental Health/Suicide Prevention (213) 241-3841; http://achieve.lausd.net/Page/1316

School Mental Health provides services for students and families to support students' access to the instructional program. The Suicide Prevention Unit conducts trainings and consultation for District crisis teams and student health personnel on suicide intervention/prevention and is a referral service for suicide prevention.

### **Related LAUSD Policies**

BUL-5212	Bullying and Hazing Policy (Student-to- Student and Student-to-Adult)
MEM-5466	Calendar of Commemorative Dates and Observances (Updated annually)
BUL-6231	Discipline Foundation Policy: School-Wide Positive Behavior Intervention and Support
BUL-2047	Hate-Motivated Incidents and Crimes – Response and Reporting
BUL-6204	Holiday Displays and Programs
BUL-5072	Meetings of Student Groups
BUL-6612	Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment (Including Sexual Harassment) Policy and Complaint
	Procedure
MEM-5818	Nondiscrimination Required Notices and Ordering of Student Brochures (Updated annually)
BUL-6494	Student Dress Codes/Uniforms
BUL-5479	Teaching About Religions
Board Rules	

2125	Released-Time Classes in Religious or Moral Instruction
2126	Absence for Religious Instruction (Other Than Released-Time)
2127	Absence Because of Religious Holy Days

## **Community Resources**

#### Anti-Defamation League https://www.adl.org/

The Anti-Defamation League is a civil rights and human relations advocacy organization which promotes respectful schools and communities.

<u>Center for Public Education</u> <a href="http://www.centerforpubliceducation.org/Main-Menu/Public-education/The-law-and-its-influence-on-public-school-districts-An-overview/Religion-and-Public-Schools.html">http://www.centerforpubliceducation.org/Main-Menu/Public-education/The-law-and-its-influence-on-public-school-districts-An-overview/Religion-and-Public-Schools.html</a>

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The Center for Public Education is a national resource supported by the National School Boards Association which provides research, data and analysis regarding education issues with a focus on student achievement and community engagement.

### Constitutional Rights Foundation http://www.crf-usa.org/

Constitutional Rights Foundation is a non-profit, non-partisan, community-based organization focused on civic engagement that produces resources for educators, students and the community.

# <u>Department of Justice</u> <a href="https://www.justice.gov/crt/combating-religious-discrimination-and-protecting-religious-freedom-12">https://www.justice.gov/crt/combating-religious-discrimination-and-protecting-religious-freedom-12</a>

Department of Justice enforces the law, ensures public safety against threats foreign and domestic, provides federal leadership in preventing and controlling crime, seeks just punishment for those guilty of unlawful behavior and ensures fair and impartial administration of justice for all Americans.

## Interfaith in LA https://orl.usc.edu/interfaith/la/

The Office of Religious Life at University of Southern California hosts events to bring together community of faiths through concerts, presentations, conferences and workshops. The website provides more information on interfaith organizations in Southern California.

### **Learning for Justice** https://www.learningforjustice.org/

Learning for Justice's, (formerly Teaching Tolerance) mission is to reduce prejudice, improve intergroup relations and support equitable school experiences

#### Museum of Tolerance

http://www.museumoftolerance.com/site/c.tmL6KfNVLtH/b.4865925/k.83A7/Whats Happening at the MOT.ht m

Museum of Tolerance focuses on society's quest to live peacefully together by providing education institutions, organizations, community specialized programs.

<u>Newseum Institute</u> in conjunction with <u>First Amendment Center</u> <a href="http://www.newseuminstitute.org/first-amendment-center/topics/freedom-of-religion/">http://www.newseuminstitute.org/first-amendment-center/topics/freedom-of-religion/</a>;

http://www.firstamendmentcenter.org/?s=religion&submit=GO%21

The organizations advocate for and provide information regarding free expression and the First Amendment.

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