Note: This policy is *legally required* to comply with updated language regarding protected categories. *Revised – GCCD Policy*

BP 3410 Nondiscrimination

Reference: Education Code Sections 66250, et seq.; 72010, et seq.;

87100 et seq.; Title 5, Sections 53000, et seq.; 59300 et seq.; Penal Code Section 422.55; and Government Code

Sections 12926.1, 129240, et seg.

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[CCLC template language, except italicized language]

The Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District (GCCCD <u>District</u>) is committed to providing learning and working environments that ensure and promote diversity, equity, and inclusion. People of diverse backgrounds, perspectives, socioeconomic levels, cultures, and abilities are valued, welcomed, and included in all aspects of our organization. GCCCD <u>The District</u> strives to provide an educational environment that fosters cultural awareness, mutual understanding, and respect that ultimately also benefits the global community.

No person shall be unlawfully subjected to discrimination or denied full and equal access to District programs or activities on the basis of ethnic group identification, race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex or gendergender, gender identity, gender expression, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, ancestry, sexual orientation, marital status, veteran status, or because he or she is perceived to have one or more of the foregoing characteristics, on the basis of these perceived characteristics, or based on association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. District programs and activities include, but are not limited to any that are administered or funded directly by or that receive any financial assistance from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office.

The Chancellor shall establish administrative procedures that ensure all members of the college community can present complaints regarding alleged violations of this policy and have complaints heard in accordance with the Title 5 regulations and those of other agencies that administer state and federal laws regarding nondiscrimination.

No District funds shall be used for membership or for any participation involving financial payment or contribution on behalf of the District or any individual employed by or associated with the District, to any private organization whose membership practices are discriminatory on the basis of *the* groups mentioned above.