

BOARD POLICY **Portland Public Schools Equity** in Public Purchasing and Contracting

CAREER LEARNING EQUITY

The District will leverage its public contracting activity to expand the number of young people of color and young women participating in a wide variety of career learning programs. The District has a developing system of career learning programs in schools. The District will enhance existing programs by establishing expectations for District contractors, particularly on larger contracts, requiring their participation in the District's career learning programs.

RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

The Board will hold the Superintendent and all District departments and schools accountable for making measurable progress toward these objectives. Every Portland Public Schools employee is responsible for the success and achievement of all students. Every District department and school is responsible to further equity in the District's public contracting activities.

The Board recognizes that these are long term goals requiring work and resources to implement across all schools and departments. The Board directs the Superintendent to develop an action plan for implementation of this policy, with clear accountability and metrics, including resourcing, which will result in measurable results on a regular basis toward achieving these objectives. Such action plan will identify specific staff leads on all key work and include clear procedures for District schools and staff. The Superintendent will present the Board with an Administrative Directive within three months of adoption of this policy. Thereafter, the Superintendent will

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