

Civil Rights Administrators

Hopkinton Public Schools District Administrator

Dr. Mary D. Colombo

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Center School

Civil Rights Administrator	Jennifer Parson, Principal	508-497-9875
§504 Program Coordinator	Kristyn Traversi, Guidance Counselor	508-497-9875
*34 H Coordinator	Jennifer Parson, Principal	508-497-9875

Elmwood School

Civil Rights Administrator	Ilene Silver, Principal	508-497-9860
§504 Program Coordinator	Maureen Edgecomb, Guidance Counselor	508-497-9860
*34 H Coordinator	Carol Costa, Assistant Principal	508-497-9860

Hopkins School

Civil Rights Administrator	Martha Starr, Principal	508-497-9824
§504 Program Coordinator	Jayne Shea, Guidance Counselor	508-497-9824
*34 H Coordinator	Carol Costa, Assistant Principal	508-497-9824

Hopkinton Middle School

Civil Rights Administrator	William Lynch, Principal	508-497-9830
§504 Program Coordinator	Keith Verra, Guidance Counselor	508-497-9830
*34 H Coordinator	Jason Webster, Assistant Principal	508-497-9830

Hopkinton High School

Civil Rights Administrator	Alyson Geary, Principal	508-497-9820
§504 Program Coordinator	Adelaide Greco, Guidance Dept Head	508-497-9820
*34 H Coordinator	Adelaide Greco, Guidance Dept Head	508-497-9820

Chpt. 71, §34H MA Law requires non-custodial divorced and separated parents to apply for access to their child's school information.

See <http://www.hopkinton.k12.ma.us/schoolcommittee/policies/J/JRCA.pdf>.

Civil Rights: Zero Tolerance for Violations

The Hopkinton Public Schools has a zero tolerance policy for civil rights violations. School Committee policy addressing Non-Discrimination may be found at <http://www.hopkinton.k12.ma.us/newweb2/schoolcommittee/policies/policies/A/AC.pdf>.

The Hopkinton Public Schools provides a safe and secure learning environment for all its students regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, disability, gender, or sexual orientation. Discrimination, sexual and bias-motivated harassment, and violations of civil rights disrupt the educational process and will not be tolerated. Because of the importance of this issue, this policy provides explicit definitions clarifying the scope and intent of the policies and procedures for its implementation. It shall be a violation for any pupil, teacher, administrator or other school personnel to engage in sexual or bias-related harassment (referred to as “wrongful harassment”) or to violate the civil rights of any pupil, teacher, administrator, or other school personnel. A failure of such personnel to address conduct, which violates this policy, also constitutes a violation of civil rights. Conduct amounting to a hate crime is a particularly serious infraction that will result in referral to law enforcement agencies.

Each school will act to investigate all complaints, formal or informal, verbal or written, of sexual or bias-related harassment or violations of civil rights and will take appropriate action against any pupil, teacher, administrator, or other school personnel who is found in violation.

The Hopkinton Public School System does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age, gender, sexual orientation, or disability in admission to, access to, employment in, or treatment in its programs and activities. In addition, the Building Principal is charged with ensuring that educational programs comply with all aspects of law pertaining to the educational rights of students with qualifying disabilities.

Inquiries or complaints should be directed to the Building Principal. Issues or complaints that cannot be resolved at the building level can be brought to the attention of the District §504/ADA Coordinator, or to the Massachusetts Department of Education or to the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights.

Dr. Mary D. Colombo is the school district coordinator for the Americans with Disabilities Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, §504/ADA, Chapter 622, and coordinator for the provisions of all Massachusetts laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination. The grievance procedures set forth in Hopkinton School Committee policy ACER can be used to resolve any discrimination complaints alleging non-compliance with any of the above statutes and related regulations. The policy is available at <http://www.hopkinton.k12.ma.us/newweb2/schoolcommittee/policies/Pololicies.php>

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