I. A program of financial aid to students will be available, which may include, but is not limited to, scholarships, grants, loans, and work and employment programs.

II. All financial aid programs will adhere to guidelines, procedures, and standards issued by the funding agency, and will incorporate federal, state, and other applicable regulatory requirements.

III. The Superintendent/President, or designee, shall establish, publicize, and apply satisfactory academic progress standards for participants in Title IV and state student aid programs in compliance with the United States Department of Education Policies and Regulations.

IV. Misrepresentation

A. Consistent with the applicable federal regulations for federal financial aid, the District shall not engage in "substantial misrepresentation" of 1) the nature of its educational program, 2) the nature of its financial charges, or 3) the employability of its graduates.

B. The Superintendent/President, or designee, shall establish procedures for regularly reviewing the District’s website and other informational materials for accuracy and completeness and for training District employees and vendors providing educational programs, marketing, advertising, recruiting, or admissions services concerning the District’s educational programs, financial charges, and employment of graduates to assure compliance with this policy.

C. The Superintendent/President, or designee, shall establish procedures wherein the District shall periodically monitor employees’ and vendors’ communications with prospective students and members of the public, and take corrective action where needed.

D. This policy does not create a private cause of action against the District or any of its representatives or service providers. The District and Board of Trustees do not waive any defenses or governmental immunities by enacting this policy.

V. Sources/References:

20 U.S. Code Sections 1070 et seq.;
34 Code of Federal Regulations Section 668;
Education Code Sections 66021.6, 76300;
ACCJC Accreditation Standard III.D.15

See Administrative Procedure 5130.