



## **Title IX Regulations Supporting Fairness in Competition and Student Safety**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 03-2023-2024**

WHEREAS Chapter 284.58 RCW grants each school district board of directors the authority to control, supervise, and regulate the conduct of inter school athletic activities and other inter school extracurricular activities of an athletic, cultural, social, or recreational nature for students of the district; and

WHEREAS a board of directors may delegate control, supervision, and regulation of any such activity to the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA); and

WHEREAS WIAA's current 2023-24 handbook states that, "All students have the opportunity to participate in WIAA athletics and/or activities in a manner that is consistent with their gender identity"; and

WHEREAS the U.S. Department of Education released updated final Title IX regulations on April 19, 2024, to take effect on August 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS the Department of Education's rulemaking process is still ongoing for a Title IX regulation related to athletics and the Department intends to issue a separate final rule to address Title IX's application to sex-separate athletic teams; and

WHEREAS a U.S. Congressional Research Service legal brief highlights a proposed rule allowing limitations on participation based on fairness in competition and prevention of injuries,

WHEREAS additional scientific research has shown that there are inherent differences in muscle mass, strength, and cardiovascular capacity between biological males and females that remain despite any hormone treatment that can place biological females at a physiological disadvantage to biological males in specific levels of competition,

WHEREAS Title IX was created to promote fairness, safety, and the protection and enhancement of biological female athletic opportunities,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the College Place Public Schools District

#250 Board of Directors has the duty to uphold these principles by strongly supporting fairness, safety, and the protection of competitive opportunities for biological female athletes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the College Place Public Schools District #250 Board of Directors strongly affirms that "sex," as intended in Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, is defined as biological male or biological female as determined at birth, and is an immutable characteristic that cannot be changed, fluid, or altered; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the College Place Public Schools District #250 Board of Directors strongly affirms that biological males should not participate in biological females' sports, as their inherent biological and physiological differences create unfair and unsafe competition, which runs counter to the purpose of Title IX ,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the College Place Public School District #250 Board of Directors must protect the safety and opportunities of biological female athletes. By not allowing biological males to compete in these sports, the Board ensures this protection.

Adopted and approved by the College Place Public Schools District #250 Board of Directors held in a regular board meeting held this day the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2024.

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