

Equality Sports and Title IX

Directions: Read each question carefully and choose the best answer

1. To what activities does Title IX apply?
 - a. Professional, Olympic, college, and scholastic sports
 - b. College and scholastic sports
 - c. All activities of school and colleges and that receive federal funding
 - d. Classroom activities of schools and colleges and that receive federal funding

2. Which of the following is not an option for schools to measure equality in the number of athletic opportunities for each sex?
 - a. The number of teens for each sex is equal
 - b. The percentage of opportunities for each sex matches the percentages of girls and boys in the student body
 - c. The school is striving to make up for past discrimination by regularly adding new athletic opportunities for girls
 - d. The school ensures that the interests of girls are fully satisfied by existing opportunities.

3. Title IX requires equivalent support for boys and girls areas in which of the following areas?
 - a. Facilities
 - b. Equipment and supplies
 - c. Access to medical treatment
 - d. All of the above

4. Which of the following situations might indicate that a school is violating Title IX?
 - a. Any athlete who is injured can make an appointment with the trainer
 - b. The football team is the only team to receive new uniforms every year
 - c. The girls and boys basketball teams take turns playing home games on Friday nights
 - d. The athletic director issues a press release promoting any team that makes it to post-season play

5. Which government agency is responsible for responding to Title IX complaints?
 - a. The Environmental Protection Agency
 - b. The General Accounting Office
 - c. The Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights
 - d. The Office of White House Counsel

Directions: read each question carefully and provide a thoughtful answer in a complete sentence

6. Washington High School has an equal number of female and male students. Girls receive forty percent of the athletic opportunities and boys receive sixty percent of athletic opportunities. What can WHS do to ensure compliance with Title IX?

7. Adams High School has an equal number of female and male students. Girls receive forty percent of the athletic opportunities and boys receive sixty percent of athletic opportunities. Due to financial constraints, AHS decides to cut athletic opportunities to save money and eliminates both the boys' soccer team and the girls soccer team. Do you think that this decision complies with Title IX? Why or why not?

8. Jefferson High School decides to add a girls' softball team in order to demonstrate progress towards equality. Yet, because there is already a football field, a baseball field on high school property, there is not room to add a softball field. So JHS makes arrangements with the city for the softball team to play on a municipal field that is used by local amateur leagues. The field is two miles away from school. There is no locker room for the girls to use, and the field does not have light or a concession stand. Maintenance such as mowing and lining of the field does not occur on a regular basis. In comparison, all of the facilities at Jefferson High School have locker rooms available and are well maintained. The football stadium has a concession stand and the baseball field has lights. If you were a member of the JHS softball team, would you think this is fair? What would you do about it?
