# Title IX Gender Equity in Athletics Audit, *Update*

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## Objective Gender Equity Audit of Athletics

Engage in a systematic fact-based process to:

- 1) identify any gender inequities across the program
- 2) propose remedies to resolve any issues
- 3) institutionalize equity in athletics

so that all students, regardless of gender, have equitable athletic experiences.

## May 25th Presentation

- Title IX background
- Consultant background
- Guiding principles
- Process
- Preliminary findings and actions



## Title IX Athletics Compliance Review

# Finding Area 1 Participation and Accommodation of Interests

3-prong test

# Finding Area 2 - Athletic Scholarships

Not applicable

## Finding Area 3 - Athletic Benefits (Laundry List)

- Equipment and Supplies
- Scheduling
- Travel
- Tutoring
- Coaching
- Facilities
- Medical Services
- Housing/Dining
- Publicity
- Administrative Services

## **Participation Finding**

SUMMARY	Male	Female	
Total # Athletes (Varsity/JV/Fr)	406	332	
% Athletes	55.0%	45.0%	
Total # Students in this school	446	425	
% Students	51.2%	48.8%	
OVERALL FEMALE PARTICIPATION GAP		55	

## Participation Gap Elimination Plan

- 1. Add Girls Beach Volleyball in Spring of 2023 Varsity and JV
- 2. Add Girls Frosh Lacrosse Spring 2023
- 3. Increase turn-out for all PHS girls sports 2022-2023
- 4. Add a girls varsity team in Fall 2023 proposed Field Hockey

## Participation Gap Elimination Plan Details

SUMMARY	Male	Female
Total # Athletes (Varsity/JV/Fr)	414	395
% Athletes	51.2%	48.8%
Total # Students in this school	446	425
% Students	51.2%	48.8%
OVERALL FEMALE PARTICIPATION GAP		0

## Findings in Benefits and Treatment

	٧	JV	FR		
Competition Schedule	В	В	В	54 areas reviewed by level	
Equipment and Supplies	ОК	ОК	В		
Uniforms*	G	В	В		
Practice / Contest Times In-Season*	В	В	В		
Practice Facilities	ОК	В	В		
Competition Facilities	ОК	ОК	ОК		
Locker Rooms*	ОК	ОК	ОК		
Coach - Athlete Instructional FTE Ratios	ОК	ОК	ОК	16/54 advantage have	
Coach - Athlete Instructional Total Ratios	ОК	ОК	ОК		
Coach Quality /Years Experience (preliminary)	ОК	INC	INC	16/54 advantage boys	
Coach Employment Status	В	ок	ОК		
Travel - Meals	ОК	В	ОК		
MD, Trainers	ОК	ок	ОК		
Spectator Accommodations	ОК	ОК	ОК	1/54 advantage girle	
Training and Weight Training Facilities	В	В	ОК		
Publicity/Promotion	В	ОК	ОК	1/54 advantage girls	
Awards/Recognition	ОК	ОК	ОК		
Administrative Support Services (preliminary)	ОК	ОК	ОК		

## Benefit Disparity Remedy Action Plan, I

#### 1. Immediate actions, at no cost (policies and practices):

- a. Practice time review and equity adjustments (AD)
- b. Game scheduling support to Girls Volleyball, Girls Water Polo, Girls Soccer, and Girls Golf. (AD)
- c. Overnight contest scheduling support to JV level girls teams. (AD)
- Improvements to monitoring / reporting, including updates to quality rating definitions, additional rating by captains and parent manager feedback. (AD, Title IX Compliance)
- e. Athletic Policy handbook developed (travel policies, off-season use policies, etc) (AD)
- f. Website updates to include information on Title IX in Athletics (Title IX Compliance)

## Benefit Disparity Remedy Action Plan, II

#### 2. Immediate actions with costs already accounted for:

- a. Strength and Training Coach hiring prioritized for Girls' programs (AD)
- b. Uniform purchases for Girls Volleyball, Girls Soccer, Varsity Girls LAX (AD)
- c. Additional equipment purchases (AD)
  - i. New Balls and Ball Carts for Volleyball as well as additional training aides and safety equipment (pole pin)
  - ii. Protective Equipment for all sports
  - iii. Storage improvements

## Benefit Disparity Remedy Action Plan, III

- 3. Items awaiting approval from board with ongoing fiscal impact:
  - a. Addition of Girls Beach Volleyball (Varsity and JV) and Frosh Lacrosse(AD)
    - i. Coaches stipends ongoing
    - ii. Probable increase in league fees

## Benefit Disparity Remedy Action Plan, IV

- 4. Items/services with fiscal impact to be addressed with one-time state funds or local funds:
  - a. One-time start-up seed costs (equipment and uniforms)
    - Beach Volleyball
    - 2. Frosh Lacrosse
  - b. Facility rental costs
    - i. Beach Volleyball
  - c. Publicity supplies/printer

### Benefit Disparity Remedy Action Plan, IV continued

- d. Witter Girls Team Room improvements (AD, Title IX Compliance, Facilities)
- e. Binks Locker room improvements (AD, Title IX Compliance, Facilities)
- f. Softball facility improvements (AD, Title IX Compliance, Facilities)

## Monitoring and Reporting Plan

#### **Ongoing**

- 1. Coaches will annually review their program using the updated rating sheet
- 2. Team captains and parent managers from each team will complete a program rating for their team
- 3. Participation numbers in audit format posted to the school website
- 4. Title IX Compliance Officer will review annual participation and benefit/treatment data and report to the school board annually.
- 5. Conduct a student interest survey every three years

#### Fall:

7. Status of remediations will be reported to the Title IX Task Force by October 1 by the Director of Athletics.

# Participation Gap Plan

Add Beach Volleyball, new levels of Lacrosse, increase turn-out and and TBD varsity sport

# Benefit Remedy Plan

Address disparities identified in baseline Benefit Analysis

## Monitoring and Reporting Plan

Annual benefit rating (coaches, captains, parents), posting participation analysis, reports to board

### **Equity Methodology**

- Examine separately, analyze the whole, don't compare team to team, focus on benefits not the money, address what is not negligible.
- Improve benefit analysis with new definitions, annual collection, student participation.

## Questions and Feedback?

