



Kennewick School District #17, 1000 W. 4th Ave., Kennewick, WA 99336

**Resolution No. 10
2023 – 2024**

**RESOLUTION NO. 10, 2023-2024
Title IX Regulations Supporting Fairness in Competition and Student Safety**

WHEREAS Chapter 28A.58 RCW grants each school district board of directors the authority to control, supervise, and regulate the conduct of interschool athletic activities and other interschool 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 effective 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,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kennewick School District Board of Directors strongly supports fairness in competition and student safety; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Kennewick School District Board of Directors strongly affirms that “sex” 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 Kennewick School District Board of Directors strongly affirms that biological males should not participate in biological females’ sports and inherent biological differences and abilities exist between biological males and biological females and commits to protecting female sports.

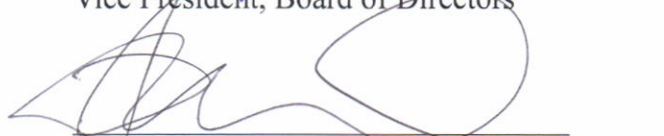
Adopted and approved this 26th day of June 2024.

ATTEST


Secretary, Board of Directors


President, Board of Directors


Vice President, Board of Directors


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