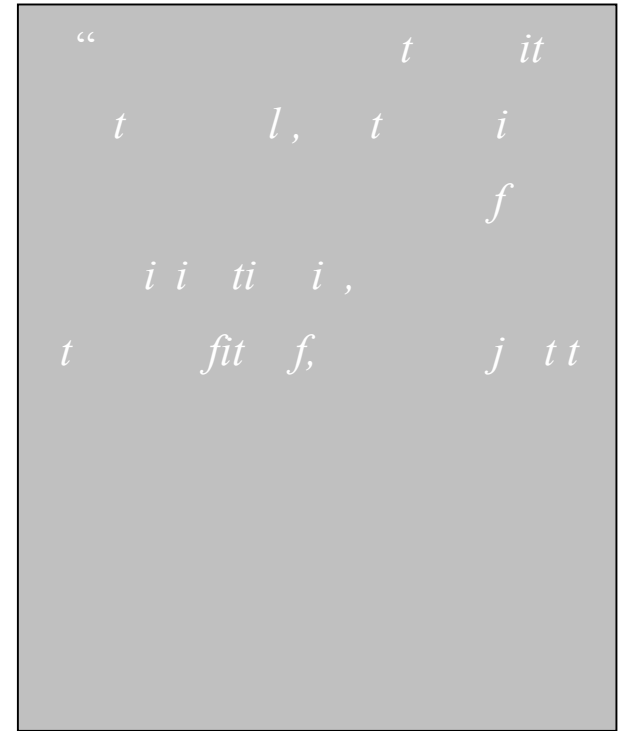


DON'T DROP THE BALL ON TITLE IX



"In 1972, neither Washington University [in St. Louis], nor the University of Missouri at Columbia suited up any female intercollegiate athletes. Today, 40% of varsity players in Missouri are female, and Washington University can boast of National Championships in women's volleyball and basketball."

-Susan C. Thompson, Reporter, St. Louis Post-Dispatch



"Without Title IX, I'd be nowhere."

-Cheryl Miller, 1984 Gold Medal Women's Basketball Team

Title IX Workshops



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Please complete and return the following form to sign up for a Title IX workshop.

Name: _____

Job/Title: _____ School/Organization: _____

Address: _____

State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____

Requested Date/Time:

*Date 1 _____ Time _____ # Attending _____

*Date 2 _____ Time _____ # Attending _____

*Date 3 _____ Time _____ # Attending _____

For more information or to set up an appointment please contact the ACLU-EM's Title IX Project Coordinator at:

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WHAT IS TITLE IX?

Title IX is the portion of the Education Amendments of 1972 that prohibits sex discrimination in educational institution programs receiving federal funding. Title IX has increased the opportunities for students in many areas, especially for women in athletics. In order to comply, educational institutions are evaluated in the following three areas:

1.PARTICIPATION: Must meet *one* of three:

- Proportionality Test
- History of Expanding Opportunities
- Interests and Abilities

2.TREATMENT OF ATHLETES:

- Equipment
- Scheduling
- Facilities
- Publicity
- Coaching, Recruitment

3.FUNDING AND SCHOLARSHIPS:

- The only monetary requirement deals with scholarships, which must be proportional not equal.

WHY SHOULD YOU HOST A TITLE IX WORKSHOP?

Do you know what Title IX really is? Do your children or students?

Do you know your rights when it comes to fair treatment in interscholastic sports?

Are you aware of the leaders who not only helped pass Title IX legislation in 1972, but who have also worked to keep opportunities for women in athletics open and equitable?

Finally, are you aware that up until July 12, 2003, Title IX was in danger of being revised with the potential of drastically changing the landscape for women across the nation?

No? Call us. By the end of our session, you will be able to answer "Yes" to all of the above.

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT THE TITLE IX WORKSHOP:

"The Title IX presentation informed students about discrimination issues that might affect them now, or in the future. My students became aware that they face injustices at work, school, and the community. Now they know that they do have rights, and a way to combat these problems. I highly recommend this program for high school students."

-Tracy Schmidt

Head Girls' Basketball Coach, University City High School

"Many of us feel we are well informed regarding Title IX. I feel that the Title IX Workshop provided such good information plus some new insights regarding the way my school abides by the Title IX guidelines. I recommend this workshop to athletic directors, student-athletes, and coaches. The workshop not only gives you the facts, but shares aspects of Title IX that you may not have considered. It is definitely educational for all who attend."

-Dory Smith

Principia Athletic Director



Myth: Title IX reduces opportunities for men.
Fact: 72% of schools have complied with Title IX without cutting men's athletic teams.

Myth: Title IX doesn't work.
Fact: Before 1972 there were 32,000 female collegiate athletes. Today there are 163,000, an over 400% increase. In high schools, there has been an 847% increase from 294,000 girls to almost 2.8 million.

WHAT IS A TITLE IX WORKSHOP?



The **Don't Drop the Ball** Workshop educates individuals about their rights to be free from discrimination in educational institutions. Through a fun and role-play drive format, the Title IX campaign shows participants how the law impacts their daily activities, particularly in the area of athletics.

The **Don't Drop the Ball** project is a public education effort. Individuals learn about the history of the law, how schools achieve compliance, and how it impacts their daily lives. Participants are encouraged to ask questions throughout the workshop, interact with each other, and become fully engaged in the learning process.

We hope that the **Don't Drop the Ball** workshop will teach all individuals about their rights, and encourage them to assert these rights as responsible citizens. The workshops have a great potential to help prevent civil rights violations before they occur by empowering people with knowledge of their rights and how to exercise them in a non-adversarial manner.

We offer these workshops **free of charge**. The workshops can take anywhere from 30 minutes to one hour, and can be conducted for small or large groups, depending on your programming needs. Our facilitators are trained and friendly, and where possible, we use young people, often collegiate athletes or law students, to conduct programs for youth audiences.