Title VI and Title IX

Overview

Purpose of the Training

- Increase awareness of Title VI and Title IX
- Clarify your legal responsibilities as a school employee
- Review proper procedures for reporting violations
- Ensure a safe, non-discriminatory learning environment for all students

What is Title VI?

Part of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

• Prohibits discrimination based on race, color, or national origin in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance

Applies to all school personnel and students

Examples of Title VI Violations

Racial harassment or slurs

Segregation or exclusion from activities

• Disparate discipline based on race

• Unequal access to programs or services

What is Title IX?

Part of the Education Amendments of 1972

• Prohibits sex-based discrimination in federally funded education programs

Applies to students and employees

• Includes sexual harassment, gender-based discrimination, pregnancy discrimination, etc.

Examples of Title IX Violations

Sexual harassment or assault

Unequal athletic opportunities

• Discrimination due to gender identity or sexual orientation

Retaliation for reporting a complaint

Your Responsibility as a School Employee

Be aware of signs of discrimination or harassment

• Immediately report any known or suspected Title VI or Title IX violations

• Maintain confidentiality; do not investigate yourself

Support students and staff in accessing resources

Reporting Procedures

- 1. Report promptly to the school Title VI or Title IX Coordinator:
- Usually a principal, supervisor, or district-level designee
- 2. Include:
- Names of those involved
- Nature and date of the incident

Any supporting details

What happens next:

The coordinator conducts an investigation

Findings and actions are documented

Appropriate support and resolution are provided

Overton County Schools Coordinators

Title VI and Title IX Coordinators:

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Post in staff areas and provide access to policy documents.

Legal Obligations

- Failure to report may result in personal or district liability
- Retaliation against reporters or complainants is strictly prohibited
- FERPA and confidentiality must be maintained during investigations

What Not To Do

- Do not ignore complaints or signs of harassment
- Do not confront alleged perpetrators
- Do not promise confidentiality
- Do not attempt to investigate yourself

Summary

- Know what Title VI and Title IX are
- Recognize violations
- Report promptly and appropriately
- Follow district protocols and support all students

Questions and Contact Information

- Contact Cristy Miller or Kim Dillon with questions
- Keep communication professional and confidential
- Thank you for your commitment to equity and safety