§5-17 Access to Programs, Courses and Activities

No student shall be denied access to any program, course, or activity, curricular or extra-curricular, based on gender. Courses that deal exclusively with human sexuality may be conducted in separate sections for boys and girls. Genders may be separated within physical education classes during activities that involve bodily contact. Athletic teams may be conducted for one gender where selection is based upon competitive skill or the activity is a contact sport. If a team in a non-contact sport, however, is conducted for members of one gender and members of the other gender have previously been limited in total athletic opportunities, the members of the excluded gender must be allowed to try out for the team.

All school personnel shall refrain from giving advice or using information that differentiates by gender while providing career or academic counseling.

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