



Gender Equity in Sports 2.7 (5)

In accordance with Georgia Equity in Sports Acts (O.C.G.A 20-2-315), City Schools of Decatur shall not discriminate on the basis of gender in its athletic programs. No student shall, on the basis of gender, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, be treated differently from another student, or otherwise be discriminated against in any interscholastic or intramural athletics, and CSD shall not provide any such athletics separately on such basis. The superintendent shall designate a sports equity coordinator to handle inquiries and/or complaints related to gender equity in athletic programs according to procedures [established in the complaint procedure](#) related to gender equity in sports. Any such inquiry and/or complaint shall be referred to the Athletics and Activity Director.

In accordance with the Georgia Equity in Sports Acts, the schools shall make all reasonable efforts to provide equal athletic opportunities for all students regardless of gender or gender identity. In addition, the schools shall not participate in, sponsor, or provide coaching staff for interscholastic sports events which are conducted under the authority of, conducted under the rules of, or scheduled by any athletic association unless the charter, bylaws, or other governing documents of such athletic association comply with the Georgia Equity in Sports Act.

The Athletic and Activity Director shall conduct an ongoing assessment of its athletic programs to determine the availability of equal opportunities for members of both genders through the annual reporting process to the Georgia Department of Education. If equal athletic opportunities are not available, the school system shall conduct an athletic interest survey to determine student interest in various sports.

The school system shall annually notify all students of the name, office address, and office telephone number of the sports equity coordinator. Such notification shall be included in student handbooks or shared in the beginning of the year communications as well as posting the information regarding notice of nondiscrimination in sports based on gender in a conspicuous location.

Questions about this regulation should be directed to the Executive Director of Schools.

Related Board Policy: 2.7

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