

SB 1375: TITLE IX POSTING REQUIREMENTS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017

On July 1, 2017, a new law will go into effect requiring local education agencies (LEAs) to post information on their websites related to Title IX.

Signed into law by Governor Brown in 2016, SB 1375 (Chapter 655, Statutes of 2016) applies to all public schools, private schools that receive federal funds and are subject to the requirements of Title IX, school districts, county offices of education and charter schools. It requires them to post in a “prominent and conspicuous location” on their websites all of the following:

- The name and contact information of the Title IX coordinator for the LEA, including the Title IX coordinator’s phone number and e-mail address.
- The rights of a pupil and the public and the responsibilities of the LEA under Title IX, including:
 - Web links to information about those rights and responsibilities located on the websites of the California Department of Education Office for Equal Opportunity and the United States Department of Education Office of Civil Rights.
- The list of rights specified in Education Code Section 221.8.
- A description of how to file a complaint under Title IX, including:
 - An explanation of the statute of limitations within which a complaint must be filed after an alleged incident of discrimination has occurred and how a complaint may be filed beyond the statute of limitations.
 - An explanation of how the complaint will be investigated and how the complainant may further pursue the complaint, including web links to this information on the United States Department of Education Office for Civil Rights’ website.
 - A web link to the United States Department of Education Office for Civil Rights complaints form and the contact information for the office, including the phone number and e-mail address for the office.

The following links will be helpful to LEAs seeking to update their websites with the information required by this new law:

Education Code Section 2212.8:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=EDC§ionNum=221.8

California Department of Education Office of Equal Opportunity & Access:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/di/eo/>

United States Department of Education Office for Civil Rights

<https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/index.html>

A public school that does not maintain a website can comply with the law's posting requirements by posting the information at its school district or county office of education. This law does not require a school or LEA to establish a website if it does not already maintain one.

For additional information regarding Title IX, log into P&C Bridge or visit Keenan's School Safety Center at

<http://www.keenan.com/school-safety-center>.

The screenshot shows the Keenan School Safety Center website page for Title IX Compliance. The page features a navigation bar with the Keenan logo and menu items: SCHOOLS & COLLEGES, PUBLIC AGENCIES, HEALTH CARE, HEALTH CARE REFORM, RESOURCES, and ABOUT. The main header image shows a young man and woman standing in a school hallway with lockers. Below the image is a blue banner with the text "TITLE IX COMPLIANCE" and "Protecting the Future". The page content includes the heading "TITLE IX COMPLIANCE", a breadcrumb trail "School Safety Center Home » Title IX Compliance", and a paragraph explaining that Title IX and its implementing regulations prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs and activities of recipients of federal funds, including transgender status. Below this text are three colored boxes with icons and labels: a purple box with a lightbulb icon labeled "How to Comply", a teal box with a person at a screen icon labeled "Train Staff", and an orange box with a computer monitor icon labeled "Articles & Resources". At the bottom of the page, there are three links: "Briefing: Title IX and AB 1266: Agencies", "Online Training Courses through", and "Blog: Transgender Students:".

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