

Pennsylvania School Code (24 P.S. § 16-1601-C)

Duty to disclose – All public school entities shall annually submit information to the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) regarding interscholastic athletic opportunities and treatment for male and female secondary school students for the preceding school year. If your school does not sponsor an interscholastic athletic team for grades 7-12, you will have to complete only Page 1 – General Information of the disclosure form.

PDE's duties – PDE has established an *Interscholastic Athletic Opportunities Disclosure Form* for the submission of the required information for the preceding school year by all public school entities of secondary students. PDE will post all submitted *Interscholastic Athletic Opportunities Disclosure Forms* on its website. Once each local education agency (LEA) completes and submits its disclosure form, the LEA will send an Accuracy Certification Statement (ACS) signed by the superintendent or executive director. PDE will prepare an annual report by January 15 of each year for the General Assembly regarding interscholastic athletic opportunities for treatment of each gender and any other information as PDE deems relevant.

Submission by school entities – Public school entities must submit an *Interscholastic Athletic Opportunities Disclosure Form* by October 15 of each year.

Public access – No later than November 1 of each year, a school entity shall post on its website the disclosure form and also make available a hard copy of the completed *Interscholastic Athletic Opportunities Disclosure Form* for public inspection during regular business hours as well as any publicly accessible website of the school entity. The completed *Interscholastic Athletic Opportunities Disclosure Form* will constitute a public record subject to public inspection under the Right-To-Know Law.

Notice to students and other affected individuals – As soon as the *Interscholastic Athletic Opportunities Disclosure Form* is submitted to PDE, each school entity shall provide notice of its availability for review to students, educational personnel, student athletes and parents by posting a notice on school bulletin boards, school newspaper, any electronic mailing list or list serve, and by any other means reasonably to provide such notice.