



Data Tips: Single-Sex Interscholastic Athletics

Data is collected about single-sex interscholastic athletics data to ensure gender equity in athletic opportunities in compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972.

Single Sex Interscholastic Sports

- Count each sport one time (i.e. baseball, basketball, soccer, football, soccer)
- Do not count intramural sports
- Do not count sideline cheerleading as a sport.
- Count sports in which only male or only female students participate or where females only compete against only females and males compete only against males.

Single-Sex Interscholastic Sport Teams

- Count each competitive level team in a sport such as freshman, junior varsity, varsity teams.
- For cross country and swimming if girls compete only against girls and boys compete against boys, count these as two single sex sports teams.
- Count only teams in which only males or only females compete.
- For guidance on the definition of interscholastic athletics see:

<http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/letters/colleague-20080917.pdf>

Participants in Single Sex Interscholastic Sports Teams

- Count a student one time for **each** single-sex sports team he or she participates in. A student that participates in two teams, such as basketball and soccer, would be counted twice.
- Count only students in grades 9-12 or ungraded high school students.

Data Tip: Generally only boys participate in football, however this year a girl is on the team. The team would no longer be considered a single sex team.

Data Tip: A school has a boys' basketball team and a girls' basketball team. Because boys compete against boys and girls compete against girls, these are considered single-sex sports teams.

Data Tip: In past years the wrestling team has included both boys and girls. This year only boys participate. Report wrestling as a single sex sports team this year.

Data Tip: Cheerleading, dance line, forensics, debate, choir or band are NOT considered interscholastic sports teams.