Title IX Final Rules rescheduled from May 2023 to October 2023. July 2023

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On June 23, 1972, Title IX of the education amendments of 1972 was enacted into law. Title IX prohibits federally funded educational institutions from discriminating against students or employees based on sex.

Current Title IX regulations were issued on May 19, 2020, during the Trump Administration, and became effective four months later on August 14, 2020. The Secretary of Education amended the regulations specifying how recipients of Federal financial assistance covered by Title IX must respond to allegations of sexual harassment consistent with Title IX's prohibition against sex discrimination.

The Biden Administration released proposed changes to the final Title IX rule in July 2022. The administration targeted a May 2023 release of the new regulations; however, in May while school administration across the nation eagerly awaited, the U.S. Department of Education's announcement did not include changes to the final rule but rather an extension of the release date to October 2023.

The Department of Education's proposed Title IX regulations were open for public comment for 60 days from the date of publication in the Federal Register. The public was invited to visit the *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* http://www.regulations.gov to submit comments electronically. Public commenting period ended on September 12, 2022. More than 240,000 comments were submitted, nearly double of what was received for proposed changes made in 2020.

You can access the July 2022 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) here,

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