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LEGAL UPDATE

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This Legal Update is a reminder to schools that this school year, 2015-2016, is the first year requiring reporting on the participation of female athletes in competitive athletics, pursuant to Education Code section 221.9. Section 221.9 requires each school in the state offering competitive athletics, including charter schools, to make specified data publicly available at the end of the school year.

Each school must report: (1) the total enrollment of the school, by gender; (2) the number of students who participate in competitive athletics, by gender; and (3) the number of boys' and girls' teams, classified by sport and competition level. The California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) has developed a Participation Census through which schools can meet this requirement. That census is available at: <http://cifstate.org/coaches-admin/census/index>. School districts can also check to see which schools have not turned in their report on that site.

Additionally, your schools need to make the information submitted to CIF publicly available either by posting it to the school website or the district website.

Please contact our office with questions regarding this Legal Update or any other legal matter.

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