

AFT Teach 2025 Conference - Selected Resources for Sexual Harm Prevention, Remediation and Adjudication

Presented by Stop Sexual Assault in Schools and School Staff Against Sexual Violence
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ADVOCACY ORGANIZATIONS

SESAME - Stop Educator Sexual Abuse, Misconduct and Exploitation:

<https://www.sesamenet.org/>

PERIL - American University School of Public Affairs Polarization & Extremism Research & Innovation Lab: [Building Networks & Addressing Harm - PERIL Research](#) and [Not Just a Joke: Understanding & Preventing Gender- & Sexuality-Based Bigotry - PERIL Research](#)

PreventConnect is a national project of [ValorUS](#), with funding from the [U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#), [National Center for Injury Prevention and Control](#). The goal of PreventConnect is to advance the primary prevention of sexual assault and relationship violence by building a community of practice among people who are engaged in such efforts. PreventConnect also builds the capacity of local, state, territorial, national and tribal agencies and organizations to develop, implement and evaluate effective prevention initiatives. <https://www.preventconnect.org/about-us/>

ChangeLab Solutions: <https://www.changelabsolutions.org/> Policy think tank that addresses education, amongst other topics

STATE SPECIFIC LAWS & REGULATIONS

Movement Advancement Project - Maps by state for non-discrimination laws: https://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/non_discrimination_laws
https://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/safe_school_laws/discrimination
(school non-discrimination)

Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN) - webpage to access a database of your [state laws](#) defining sexual assault and other sex crimes and their penalties; consent laws; child mandated reporting laws; criminal statutes of limitations; private communications laws; required DNA, HIV and AIDS testing laws for offenders

Enough Abuse Legislative Map:

<https://enoughabuse.org/get-vocal/laws-by-state/criminalizing-educator-sexual-misconduct-map/>

National Education Association Funding Cuts Map (by state and congressional district)

<https://www.nea.org/resource-library/how-much-funding-does-my-public-school-get-federal-government>

FEDERAL LAWS & REGULATIONS

National Women's Law Center (NWLC) - Compliance with 2020 Title IX Regulations:

<https://nwlc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Trump-Title-IX-Compliance-1.29.25.pdf>

Association of Title IX Administrators (ATIXA) - Compliance with 2020 Title IX Regulations:

https://www.atixa.org/blog/atixas-guide-to-complying-with-the-2020-regulations-again/?utm_campaign=ATIXA_JanuaryTOWs_02052025_cold_us_conversion&utm_medium=email&hsenc=p2ANqtz-9xe1Qvio-1oFhZeQZaBWOUt3A-v2u6b94f4rET3bLcvVADWRrB7jCvs1DEJRBln5Z_mR4xFsiaNY-Um09kWuDxHFhvdJlqAoR3MVxn5NHgnWeAIcs&hsmi=344784580&utm_source=hubspot

K-12 SCHOOL DISTRICT MODEL WEBSITES

Public School Webpages for Title IX:

Portland OR: <https://www.pps.net/Page/13362>

Berkeley CA: <https://www.berkeleyschools.net/district-civil-rights-and-compliance/>

Palo Alto CA: <https://www.pausd.org/about-us/policies-procedures/title-ix-office>

Boulder Valley, CO:

<https://www.bvsd.org/parents-students/health-and-wellness/health-promotion-and-prevention/sexual-assault-prevention>

High School Sports Governance: [NCAA Policy on Campus Sexual Violence](#)

LEGAL & LITIGATION SUPPORT

Legal Services - An internet search on “legal aid near me” will produce a list of agencies that provide low cost or free services. Your local or regional American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) <https://www.aclu.org/> may also be a good source for referrals to local counsel if you are contemplating a lawsuit.

Other resources for advice, referrals or possible legal support are:

The National Women's Law Center <https://nwlc.org/>

Equal Rights Advocates <https://www.equalrights.org/>

The National Center for Youth Law <https://youthlaw.org/> In May 2025 NCYL launched the **Public Education Defense Fund (PEDF)** — a bold initiative to fill the enforcement void and ensure that civil rights in education remain real, not just promised. PEDF will fill critical gaps to defend the rights of children and youth left vulnerable with the dismantling of the OCR. Specifically through PEDF, we will:

- Defend public education and challenge efforts to defund or privatize it;
- Unlock state-level civil rights enforcement pathways for families;
- Mobilize pro bono attorneys to represent students facing discrimination;
- Track and publish civil rights data, which is being eliminated rapidly, to counter harmful narratives;
- Draw on the expertise of former federal civil rights experts; and
- Convene national education leaders to guide our strategy

PREVENTION RESOURCES & SERVICES

AFT Share My Lesson - Misogyny Teaching Resource

<https://sharemylesson.com/teaching-resource/misogyny-and-male-supremacy-its-not-just-joke-408586>

The Forensic Experiential Trauma Interview (FETI) protocol provides interviewers with a science-informed interviewing framework that maximizes opportunities for information collection and accurately documents the participant's experience in a neutral, equitable, and fair manner:

<https://www.certifiedfeti.com/> Certified FETI: the founding and governing body of the official Forensic Experiential Trauma Interview technique, a science and practice-based interviewing methodology informed by the latest research on the neurobiology of trauma and memory.

The Representation Project: <https://therepproject.org/get/> For free curriculum resources for student education and action on gender equity

Stop Sexual Assault in Schools (SSAIS):

SSAIS Website <https://stopsexualassaultinschools.org/>

Stop Sexual Assault [website](#) and [toolkits](#)

SSAIS YouTube Video Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@ssais5779/videos>
Stop Sexual Assault in Schools [Filing Complaints webpage](#).
SSAIS Campaign - link to #MisogynyFreeSchools webpage: [Misogyny Free Schools](#) & flyers: <https://stopsexualassaultinschools.org/mfs-media-gallery/>
SSAIS [How to Gather Information About a School District's Title IX Policies](#)
SSAIS [Ten Things You Can Do When Title IX Fails](#)

School Staff Against Sexual Violence (SSASV): <https://www.ssasv.org/>

Students Against Sexual Harassment (SASH) Club Resources:

SASH Club: <https://sashclub.org/> For free curriculum resources for student education and action

SASH Club interest survey: rb.gy/i3x9hz; please share it with colleagues, students, and parents.

[Watch](#) “Sexual Harassment: Not in Our School!” Parts 1 and 2

SASH Club Short Videos:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZuMkLHy5gFYZeEu10tyvOUq_uwRos3MV

SASH Club printable flyer:

<https://sashclub.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/SASH-Club-web-flyer.pdf>

WEBINARS AND PODCASTS

AFT Share My Lesson webinar (July 2024) - *SASH Club: A Peer-Education Approach to Addressing Sexual Harassment and Assault in Schools* with prevention specialist Dr. Otis McGresham. You can watch the webinar on demand at

<https://event.on24.com/wcc/r/4609689/A5A71CA725BEA933F3058701A62CB494>

SSAIS Share My Lesson blog, [The Power of Peer Education to Combat Sexual Harassment](#)

AFT (March) 2025 Virtual Conference webinar *“Addressing the Rise and Impact of Misogyny Among Students in Grades 6-12”* with SSAIS advisor Dr. Otis McGresham

The presentation is available on demand. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/mtbv9z2e>

Co-presenter Dr. Pasha Dashtgard, an expert in the manosphere and clinical psychologist, talked about youth vulnerabilities that lead to male supremacist beliefs and misogyny. Dr. Otis McGresham, drawing on his extensive work as a prevention specialist creating healthy higher ed learning environments, elegantly made the content relatable to teachers and school staff. The webinar included three free peer education opportunities: SASH Club, Girls Learn International (our partner), and The Representation Project.

[The K-12 Confidential Podcast](#) is written, produced, and hosted by current, veteran K-12 teachers. It exposes the issues and problems in K-12 education, which are eroding our democracy from within. Particular attention is paid to exposing the systemic and structural issues which impede sexual harm reduction in K-12 schools.

Prevention is Now/Prairie CASA podcasts on topics related to sexual violence:

<https://open.spotify.com/show/4qhJvIeY2BOi9QQ1ZOUUp8W>

H. Goldstein interview on Sexual Violence in our Schools K-12 (September 2021)

:<https://open.spotify.com/episode/0ReXMloM0RWG9SR1cSOquY>

ACADEMICS WORKING ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE:

Carol Shakeshaft - Distinguished Professor of Educational Leadership at
Virginia Commonwealth University

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Nan Stein, Senior Research Scientist Wellesley (College) Centers for Women

<https://www.wcwonline.org/Senior-Scholars/nan-stein-edd>

University of California/Berkeley Law: Berkeley Center on Comparative
Equality and Anti-Discrimination Law, Professor David Oppenheimer, Faculty
Director

<https://www.law.berkeley.edu/research/berkeley-center-on-comparative-equality-anti-discrimination-law/>

Mary Rowe, MIT Sloan School of Business, Adjunct Professor Work &
Organizational Studies and MIT Ombudsman:

<https://mitsloan.mit.edu/faculty/directory/mary-rowe>

<https://mitsloan.mit.edu/events/2024-04-24-women-who-matter-mit>

MIT Libraries/MIT Archive Space

History of the Omsbud Job 1974-75 1998 MIT Archives:

https://archivesspace.mit.edu/repositories/2/archival_objects/309905

MIT Ombuds Office 1980, 1998, 2001, 2005, 2014 MIT Archives:

https://archivesspace.mit.edu/repositories/2/archival_objects/309906