

Keeping Men Out of Women's Sports

Administration Policy:

President Trump issued an executive order (EO) titled <u>Keeping Men out of Women's Sports</u> which would rescind funds from educational programs that allow men to participate in women's sports or that deprive women and girls of fair athletic opportunities.

This EO requires the Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy to convene representatives from major athletic organizations and governing bodies to promote fair and safe policies for female athletes, as well as State Attorney Generals to identify best practices for equal athletic opportunities for women and girls.

This EO also requires the Secretary of State to promote international rules and norms which protect female sports, and to use all measure available to ensure the International Olympic Committee (IOC) promotes fairness and safety of female athletes. Specifically, it states that eligibility for participation in women's sports should be "according to sex and not gender identity or testosterone reduction."

Background:

- In 2024, the Biden administration issued a <u>Title IX rule</u> which redefined sex to include "gender identity," allowing biological males to participate in female athletics. Allowing boys and men to participate in girls' and women's sports is dangerous and unfair for those who will lose out on opportunities.
 - According to a <u>study by World Rugby</u>, when a female player is tackled by someone who has gone through male puberty there is a 20-30% greater risk of injury.
 - In North Carolina, a <u>female volleyball player suffered from a serious head injury</u> after a ball was spiked on her head by a transgender player.
 - The House passed <u>H.J.Res. 165</u> condemning the Biden rule in 2024.
- In 2024, more than a dozen athletes <u>filed a lawsuit</u> against the NCAA for violating Title IX, the primary focus of the lawsuit was the NCAA allowing a transgender swimmer to participate in the national championships in 2022.
- In response to this EO, the NCAA <u>announced</u> a new policy restricting the women's category to student-athletes assigned female at birth.