

Sex or Gender-Based Misconduct

Reporting Options and Support Resources Under Title IX

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FOR INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

msjc.edu/titleix

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Title IX Coordinator
Human Resources
Temecula Valley Campus
41888 Motor Car Parkway
Temecula, CA 92591
kgonzalez@msjc.edu
(951) 374-0539
msjc.edu/titleix/report

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- Reviewing and following up on all reports
- Sharing information regarding next steps based on what was reported
- Connecting individuals with oncampus and off-campus resources
- Providing access to appropriate and reasonably available supportive measures
- Assisting those who have experienced a crime with reporting to the Riverside County Sheriff's Department

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On and Off-Campus Resources

MSJC Mental Health Counselors
are confidential campus resources that
offer in-person or telehealth counseling
through the Student Health Center
healthservices@msjc.edu
(951) 465-8371

Riverside Area Rape Crisis Center-RARCC offers free, confidential services, including a 24/7 hotline and advocacy, to the San Jacinto Campus and surrounding areas info@rarcc.org (951) 686-7273

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(951) 652-8300

National Resources

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National Domestic Violence Hotline offers call, chat, and text options for those seeking support and resources thehotline.org (800) 799-7233 (SAFE)

VictimConnect Resource Center offers call, chat, or text options for victims of crime (855) 484-2846 (4VICTIM)

Responding to a Report

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Upon receipt of a formal complaint, if it is determined that an investigation warranted, the Title IX Coordinator will notify those identified as experienced and engaged in reported conduct of the pending investigation. The involved Parties are provided an opportunity to select an Advisor and to meet individually with the Investigator. The Investigator will also with any witnesses, collect evidence, and prepare a report of their findings regarding the complaint.

Following completion of the investigation, a hearing is conducted by a neutral Decision-Maker who will make a final determination regarding the responsibility of the accused individual based on a preponderance of the evidence. Both Parties have the right to appeal the Decision-Maker's decision.

The complete Title IX grievance process, including the prescribed timeline, can be found in Administrative Procedure 3434 at msjc.edu/titleix.

Supportive Measures

Supportive measures are non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services offered free of charge upon receipt of a report of sex or gender-based misconduct. The District will provide requested supportive measures as appropriate and as reasonably available.

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These measures are designed to protect the safety of everyone involved, protect the District's education environment, and/or deter sexual harassment. Supportive measures are provided on a confidential basis and are disclosed only when the need to know is necessary to enable the District to provide the service or when otherwise required by law.

The Title IX Coordinator can assist in accessing supportive measures.

Law Enforcement

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An incident may be reported at any time to the **Riverside County Sheriff's Department:**

Hemet Station - (951) 791-3400 San Jacinto Station - (951) 654-2702 Perris Station - (951) 210-1000

Campus Safety

Campus Safety Department partners with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department to provide for the safety and security of the entire MSJC community.

Anyone who wishes to make a report to law enforcement may call Campus Safety at (951) 639-5188 to reach Riverside County Sheriff's Department staff assigned to the campus, including for assistance with filing for an order of protection or other similar orders:

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Menifee Valley Campus

Building 2004 Monday-Friday - 6:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Temecula Valley Campus

Room 102 24 hours a day/7 days a week

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- Take screenshots of text messages, instant messages, and social media posts
- In the case of sexual assault, preserve all physical evidence by refraining from bathing, douching, changing clothes, or cleaning the areas around where the assault occurred
- If it is suspected that a drink was tampered with, inform a medical provider and/or law enforcement as soon as possible for testing
- Do not alter, dispose of, or destroy any physical evidence

Regardless of whether the incident is reported to the Title IX Office or law enforcement, consider seeking medical attention. Even in a case where there is no evidence of serious injury, a medical examination may address other physical needs or trauma and assess for sexually transmitted infections or pregnancy. Specially-trained staff may also be able to offer a sexual assault forensic exam.

Confidentiality

Information related to reports of sexual harassment or other sex or gender-based misconduct is handled with the utmost discretion and may only be shared on a need-to-know basis in order to address public safety concerns, comply with state and federal legal requirements, or implement supportive measures.

Reporting Responsibilities

The District has identified nonconfidential employees who are required to promptly report sexual harassment and other sex or gender-based misconduct to the Title IX Coordinator.

Those with a responsibility to report under District policy include, but are not limited to:

- All members of the Executive Cabinet
- Any employee who regularly interacts with students as part of their duties
- Any employee who is considered a supervisor
- Directors, coordinators, and deans in areas like student life and athletics
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