Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 is a federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs, including athletic programs, or activities that receive federal funding.

"No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance."

The Yosemite Community College District (to include Modesto Junior College and Columbia College) does not permit discrimination or harassment in its programs and activities on the basis of sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, pregnancy status or any other characteristic protected by District policy or state, local, or federal law.

Click here for detailed information on the District's Title IX policies: Board Policy 3540 and 3435.
Members of the Yosemite Community College District community, guests and visitors have the right to be free from all forms of sex/gender harassment, discrimination and misconduct, examples of which can include acts of sexual violence, sexual harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. All members of the campus community are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that does not infringe upon the rights of others. The District has zero tolerance for sex/gender misconduct. Zero tolerance means that when an allegation of misconduct is brought to an appropriate administrator's attention, protective and other remedial measures will be used to reasonably ensure that such conduct ends, is not repeated, and the effects on the reporting party (complainant) and community are remedied, including serious sanctions if a responding party (accused) is found to have violated related District policy. District policy has been developed to reaffirm these principles and to provide recourse for those individuals whose rights have been violated.

The District's Title IX Administrator oversees compliance with all aspects of the sex/gender harassment, discrimination and misconduct policy. The Administrator reports directly to the District Vice Chancellor of Human Resources, and is housed at the District office. Anyone wishing to make a report relating to discrimination or harassment may do so by reporting the concern to the District Title IX Administrator or the college's Title IX Campus Coordinator:

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Additionally, reports can be made by victims and/or third parties using the online reporting form by clicking here, or the reporting hotline at (209) 575-6710, or via the reporting email address of TitleIXCoordinator@yosemite.edu. Note that these reports may prompt a need for the institution to investigate.

Individuals experiencing harassment or discrimination also always have the right to file a formal grievance with government authorities:

San Francisco Office
Office for Civil Rights (OCR)
U.S. Department of Education
50 Beale Street, Suite 7200
San Francisco, CA 94105-1813
Telephone: 415-486-5555
FAX: 415-486-5570; TDD: 800-877-8339
Email: ocr.sanfrancisco@ed.gov
Web: http://www.ed.gov/ocr

U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Educational Opportunities Section, PHB
Washington, D.C. 20530
By e-mail to education@usdoj.gov
By telephone at (202) 514-4092 or 1-877-292-3804 (toll-free)
By facsimile at (202) 514-8337