

Notification of Rights and Options for Sexual and/or Gender-Based Misconduct (including Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking)

This written explanation of rights and options will be provided to any student or employee who reports to the District that they have been a survivor of sexual and/or gender-based misconduct.

DISTRICT POLICY

Under Board Policy and Administrative Procedure 3540, "Any sexual or gender-based misconduct or physical abuse, including but not limited to rape, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking, as defined by California law, whether committed by an employee, student, or member of the public, in connection with all the academic, educational, extracurricular, athletic, and other programs of the District, whether those programs take place in the District's facilities or at another location, or on an off-campus site or facility maintained by the District, or on grounds or facilities maintained by a student organization, is a violation of District policies and procedures, and is subject to all applicable punishment.

DEFINITION OF TERMS (^as defined by the Clery Act)

Dating Violence[^]

Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party's statement with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

Domestic Violence^

A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim; by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common; by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner; by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred; or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

Sexual Assault^

Any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.• Rape: The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim. • Fondling: The touching of the private body parts of another for the purposes of sexual gratification without consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity. • Incest: Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law. • Statutory Rape: Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Stalking[^]

Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for the person's safety or the safety of others or suffer substantial emotional distress.

Consent (In reference to sexual activity)

Consent is the ongoing, affirmative, conscious, and voluntary agreement for the act in which the participants are involved. Consent is active, not passive. It is the responsibility of each person involved in the sexual activity to ensure that they have the Affirmative Consent of the other or others to engage in the sexual activity. Consent can be given by words or actions, as long as those words or actions create mutually understandable clear permission regarding willingness to engage in sexual activity. Consent to any one form of sexual activity does not automatically imply Consent to any other forms of sexual activity.

RESOURCES FOR SURVIVORS

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Title IX Coordinator: Office of Title IX,	Coordinator: Office of Title IX, Administration 140,	
Diversity, and Inclusion	El Camino Community College	
Law Enforcement Resources		
El Camino College (ECC)	Parking Lot K,	310-660-3100
Police Department	El Camino Community College	
Gardena Police Department	1718 W. 162nd St. Gardena, CA 90247	310-323-7911
LA County Sheriff's Department - South Los Angeles	1310 W. Imperial Hwy. Los Angeles, CA 90044	323-820-6700
Torrance Police Department	3300 Civic Center Drive. Torrance, CA 90503	310-328-3456
Hawthorne Police Department	12501 Hawthorne Blvd. Hawthorne, CA 90250	310-349-2700
Inglewood Police Department	1 W. Manchester Blvd. Inglewood, CA 90301	310-412-5210
Resources within the District*		•
AIMS Team	To submit an incident report & referral form:	aimsteam@
(Behavioral Intervention and	www.elcamino.edu/support/health-safety/aims/	elcamino.edu
Campus Threat Assessment)	index.aspx	
ECC After Hours Emotional Crisis	www.elcamino.edu/support/health-safety/stu-	310-660-3377
Line	dent-health-services/crisis-resources.aspx	
Health & Mental Health Counseling:	Student Health Center,	310-660-3643
Student Health Services	El Camino Community College	
Academic Counseling	Student Services Building, Second Floor, El Camino Community College	310-660-3458
Visa and Immigration Assistance:	Student Services Building, Room 164,	310-660-3431
International Student Program	El Camino Community College	
Student Financial Aid	Student Services Building, Room 248 & 229, El Camino Community College	310-660-3493
Student Support Services	Student Services Building, Room 231,	310-660-3593
	El Camino Community College	ext. 3482
Employee Assistance Services for	www.lacoe.edu/Home/EASE	800-882-1341
Education (EASE) for ECC Employees		

*Students or employees who are ineligible to utilize District services may visit or call the ECC Police Department or Student Health Services for referrals to additional resources within the community



Community and National Resources			
LA County District Attorney's Office (Torrance Courthouse)	825 Maple Ave. Torrance, CA 90503	310-222-3552	
Community Legal Aid SoCal	2101 North Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, CA 92705	714-571-5200	
Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles	1640 5th St., Suite 124. Santa Monica, CA 90401	800-399-4529	
LA County District Attorney's Bureau of Victim Services	1000 South Fremont Ave. Unit 36, Bldg. A9E, Suite E9150. Alhambra, CA 91803	800-380-3811	
Los Angeles County Victim Assistance Program	www.helplacrimevictims.org	Visit website for various locations contact info	
1736 Family Crisis Center^	21707 Hawthorne Blvd. Suite 300. Torrance, CA 90503	213-745-6434	
Rainbow Services [*]	453 W. 7thSt. San Pedro, CA 90731	310-547-9394	
Behavioral Health Services Family Health Center	2501 West El Segundo Blvd., Suite B. Hawthorne, CA 90250	424-456-8933	
East Los Angeles Women's Center Crisis Hotline*^	1431 S. Atlantic Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90022	800-585-6231	
Peace Over Violence Los Angeles	1541 Wilshire Blvd, 3 Fl., Los Angeles, CA 90017	213-626-3393	
Rape Treatment Center at UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica	1250 Sixteenth St. Santa Monica, CA 90404	310-319-4503	
YWCA of Greater Los Angeles	https://ywcagla.org/	877-943-5778	
National Domestic Violence Hotline^	https://www.thehotline.org/	800-799-7233	
National Sexual Assault Online Hotline^	https://hotline.rainn.org/online	800-656-4673	
*available in Spanish	^available 24 hours a day		

For additional resources available for survivors: www.elcamino.edu/departments/title-ix-diversity-and-in-clusion/resources.aspx





PROCEDURES SURVIVORS FOLLOW IN THE CASE OF ALLEGED SEXUAL ASSAULT, DATING VIOLENCE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, OR STALKING

This section outlines the procedures that may be followed in case of sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking for students and employees. It assumes that the incident occurred on or near campus. Many of the procedures and services described here also apply if the incident happens off campus or if the individual reporting the assault is not a student or staff member. If you have been sexually assaulted, it is important that you seek help immediately. The District has provided a number of ways for you to get assistance and receive care, and you can choose the one(s) that you feel most comfortable with.

Steps to Follow:

1. Get to a safe place - If you are in fear of your safety/emergency call 9-1-1.

2. Get medical attention to assess and treat physical injuries and to collect evidence of the assault or obtain a protective order.

A. Survivors are encouraged to seek immediate medical attention and support, regardless of when the incident occurred. A medical exam has two goals: First, to diagnose and treat any injuries (including prevention of sexually transmitted illnesses and pregnancy); and second, to properly collect and preserve evidence. Medical evidence can be collected at the same time as medical care is provided.

B. Evidence preservation may assist in proving the alleged criminal offense occurred or may be helpful in obtaining a protection order. Do not wash hands, bathe, shower, douche, change clothes or straighten up the area. This destroys evidence. Physical evidence from a sexual assault should be collected within 96 hours of the incident. Evidence collection is only done with the survivor's permission and is free of charge.

C. A survivor is not required to file a police report to have a sexual assault examination completed. Even if the assault survivor does not want to prosecute or make a police report, it is recommended that evidence be collected. This is so that, if the survivor later decides to file a police report and prosecute the perpetrator, the evidence will have been preserved. However, medical providers (but not licensed psychologists while working in their official duty) are mandated by state law to notify law enforcement if you tell personnel you have experienced sexual assault.

At Local SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) hospitals, survivors can access a free medical exam and forensic evidence can be collected:

Rape Treatment Center at Santa Monica-	1250 Sixteenth Street. Santa Monica, CA 90404
UCLA Medical Center	424-259-7208
Providence Little Company of Mary - San Pedro Location	1300 West 7th Street. San Pedro, CA 90732

For a forensic exam, make two calls:

Forensic Nurse Specialists	562-497-0147
Rape Crisis Agency	877-943-5778

3. Seek emotional care and support - Do not try to deal with the situation alone.

The following departments on campus can provide resources and referrals:

- Office of Title IX, Diversity and Inclusion | 310-660-3813
- El Camino College (ECC) Police Department | 310-660-3100
- Student Health Services | 310-660-3643

4. Consider reporting the incident with any of the options listed below:

1) A survivor of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking may report the offense directly to the El Camino College Title IX Coordinator at 310-660-3813 or via email at TitleIXCoordinator@elcamino. edu or to any El Camino College faculty or manager/administrator (Responsible Employee).

and/or

A survivor of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking may notify proper law enforcement authorities:

These law enforcement agencies serve the following locations:				
Main Campus	ECC Police Department 310-660-3100			
Business Training Center	ECC Police Department; or	310-660-3100		
	Hawthorne Police Department	310-349-2700		
Fire Academy	ECC Police Department; or	310-660-3100		
	Inglewood Police Department	310-412-5210		

Always dial 9-1-1 in the event of an emergency

What is Involved in Making a Police Report

If the ECC Police Department is contacted or is made known of the incident, a uniformed officer will be dispatched to take the report. The survivor may request a male or female officer to take the report and this request will be accommodated whenever possible. With the consent of the survivor, a full police report will be taken by a campus police officer who accompanies the survivor to the hospital. At the request of the survivor, a friend, family member or other designated person may be present. The officer will advise the survivor regarding hospital procedures and the availability of assistance. A campus police officer will be assigned to further investigate the criminal allegations and explain the legal process to the survivor. Lastly, a campus police officer shall present a completed written investigation to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office for review and filing of criminal charges. If the Hawthorne Police Department or Inglewood Police Department is contacted, that agency's procedures and protocols will apply.

2) If the survivor chooses, campus authorities may assist a survivor in notifying law enforcement authorities. However, please note that if the survivor chooses an El Camino Community College District faculty or manager/administrator for assistance, because they are deemed Responsible Employees under Title IX, the faculty or manager/administrator is also required to report the incident to the Title IX coordinator.

3) A survivor also has the option to decline to notify such authorities. **Reporting is your choice.** If you do not report, try to write down the details of the assault and save them in case you change your mind. However, reporting these crimes will allow El Camino Community College District to provide resources to you. Whether you report or not, get medical attention for treatment of external and/or internal injuries and test for sexually transmitted diseases and pregnancy.

PROTECTION OF CONFIDENTIALITY

Confidentiality in a complaint filed with the Title IX Coordinator cannot be guaranteed, however the information in a report will only be disclosed on a need-to-know basis. Complainants may request to seek Supportive Measures from the Title IX Coordinator without their name or information being disclosed to Respondent. Where Supportive Measures require coordination with other campus offices, limited information will be provided and the details of the alleged conduct will not be disclosed.

The District will attempt to honor any student's request for confidentiality; however, the District must also weigh its duty to provide a safe and nondiscriminatory environment for all members of the District community. CONFIDENTIALITY CANNOT BE ENSURED. Please note that when reporting to outside law enforcement agencies, that agency's procedures and policies will apply.

If you do not want to formally report the incident and would like support resources and confidential services, please visit Student Health Services (SHS). Under Title IX, all employees of SHS are confidential resources* and are excluded from the category of Responsible Employees. Please note that there are no confidential reporting options located at the Business Training Center and Fire Academy.

*Please note that while SHS is a confidential resource, some employees in SHS may be Campus Security Authorities under the Clery Act and are required to report incidents for statistical purposes. However, this may be done without disclosing personally identifying information.

Publicly Available Recordkeeping

All personally identifiable information (such as first and last name, address, contact information, social security number, driver's license number, passport number, student identification number, date of birth, racial or ethnic background, religious affiliation, etc.) is kept confidential and will not be included in any publicly available recordkeeping, including Clery Act reporting and disclosures such as the annual security report and the daily crime log.

PROTECTIVE ORDERS AND THE RIGHTS OF SURVIVORS

Where applicable, a survivor may have the right to obtain orders of protection, no contact directives, restraining orders, or similar lawful orders issued by a criminal, civil, tribal court, or by the District. The District will honor, comply and enforce current and valid restraining orders and/or orders of protection.

When an order of protection is violated, a survivor should immediately enforce that order by notifying the appropriate jurisdiction that issued it. In cases of violations of Emergency Protective Orders and Temporary Restraining Orders, a survivor should immediately notify local law enforcement by calling 9-1-1. In cases of violations of a "El Camino College No Contact Directive", the appropriate office or individual who issued the order should be immediately contacted.

• An Emergency Protective Order (EPO) is an order issued by a judicial officer upon request by a peace officer under Family Code Section 6250. The purpose of this order is to provide for immediate and short-term protection to victims of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking. Emergency Protective Orders may be obtained by a peace officer investigating a report of these crimes. Contact the ECC Police Department at 310-660-3100, Hawthorne Police Department (for the Business Training Center) at 310-349-2700 or the Inglewood Police Department (for the Fire Academy) at 310-412-5210 if you believe you are in immediate need of an EPO.

• Temporary Restraining Orders (TRO) may be requested by a victim from the Los Angeles County Superior Courts. The nearest Los Angeles County Superior Court location for the main campus and the Business Training Center is the Torrance Courthouse located at 825 Maple Ave. Torrance, CA 90503. The nearest Los Angeles County Superior Court location for the Fire Academy is the Inglewood Courthouse located at 1 E Regent St. Inglewood, CA 90301. You may visit the information desk for an application and filing instructions. The application must first be approved by a judicial officer before a TRO is issued.

• A survivor may or may not request criminal prosecution. The ECC Police Department strongly encourages a victim to prosecute criminal acts; however they are under no obligation to do so. A victim may contact the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office (Torrance Courthouse) at 825 Maple Ave. Torrance, CA 90503, 310-222-3552 (for the main campus and Business Training Center) or the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office (Inglewood Courthouse) at 1 E Regent St. Inglewood, CA 90301, 310-419-1396 (for the Fire Academy). Furthermore, victims may contact the Torrance Police Department located at 3300 Civic Center Drive. Torrance, CA 90503, 310-328-3456 (for the main campus), the Hawthorne Police Department located at 12501 Hawthorne Blvd. Hawthorne, CA 90250, 310-349-2700 (for the Business Training Center), the Inglewood Police Department located at 1 W Manchester Blvd. Inglewood, CA 90301, 310-412-5210 (for the Fire Academy) or the ECC Police Department, 16007 Crenshaw Blvd. Torrance, CA 90506, 310-660-3100 for assistance.

• A survivor may also pursue civil remedies through the civil court system. Contact the Los Angeles County Superior Court Civil Department (Torrance Courthouse) at 825 Maple Ave. Torrance, CA 90503 or call 310-787-3697 for the main campus and the Business Training Center. Contact the Los Angeles County Superior Court Civil Department (Inglewood Courthouse) at 1 E Regent St. Inglewood, CA 90301, 310-419-1396 for the Fire Academy.

• Survivors of crime or a family member of a victim have many rights throughout the criminal justice system. Information pamphlets regarding the Victims' Bill of Rights Act of 2008: "Marsy's Law" is available in the ECC Police Department or at the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office (Torrance Courthouse) at 825 Maple Ave. Torrance, CA 90503 for the main campus and Business Training Center or at the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office (Torrance Courthouse) at 825 County District Attorney's Office (Inglewood Courthouse) at 1 E Regent St. Inglewood, CA 90301 for the Fire Academy.

• El Camino Community College District No Contact Directive: The District may take measures to protect a complainant who reports being the survivor of these crimes. These protective measures may include, but are not limited to, prohibiting the accused individual from having any contact with the complainant, providing escorts to ensure that the complainant can move safely between classes and activities, ensuring the complainant and alleged perpetrator do not attend the same classes or work in the same work area, and preventing offending third parties from entering the District. No contact directives related to Title IX may be requested from the District's Title IX coordinator.



SUPPORTIVE MEASURES

Once the Title IX coordinator or designee has received a complaint and/or report of Sexual or Gender-Based Misconduct, the District will make an assessment to determine if any immediate remedies are warranted, pending an investigation. The District will work with Complainants affected by the Sexual or Gender-Based Misconduct report to ensure their safety and promote their well-being. The Title IX coordinator may determine immediate or long-term supportive measures, such as, but not limited to, changing academic schedules, police escort services, restrictions on the Parties pending investigation, and other measures to promote the well-being, safety, and restoration of the Parties.

The District is obligated to comply with a student's reasonable request for academic situation change. Although the District does not have any on or off campus housing, assistance with living arrangements can be provided through referrals with community resources. The Title IX Coordinator or designee will also provide written notification to survivors about options for, available assistance in, and how to request changes to academic, living, transportation, and working situations or protective measures following an alleged report of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking incident regardless of whether the survivor chooses to report the crime to the ECC Police Department or local law enforcement.

Factors that might be considered during this process include, but are not limited to the following: the specific need expressed by the complainant; the age of the students involved; the severity or pervasiveness of the allegations; any continuing effects on the complainant; whether the complainant and alleged perpetrator share the same class, transportation or job location; and whether other judicial measures have been taken to protect the complainant (e.g., civil protection orders).

Examples of supportive measures that may be implemented are subject to the discretion of the Title IX Coordinator and may include:

- Access to counseling services and assistance in setting up an initial appointment, both on and off campus;
- Imposition of campus "No Contact Order" issued to the respondent, or, where appropriate, to both parties;
- Rescheduling of exams and assignments (in conjunction with appropriate faculty and deans as necessary);
- Providing alternative course completion options (with the agreement of the appropriate faculty);
- Change in class schedule, including the ability to take an "incomplete," drop a course without penalty or transfer sections (with the agreement of the appropriate faculty);
- Change in work schedule or job assignment;
- Limiting an individual or organization's access to certain District facilities or activities pending resolution of the matter;
- Voluntary leave of absence;
- Providing an escort to ensure safe movement between classes and activities;
- Providing medical services;
- Providing academic support services, such as tutoring;
- Interim suspension or District-imposed leave;
- Monitoring, supervision, or security at locations or activities where the alleged misconduct occurred;
- Providing additional training and education materials for students and employees;
- · Conducting climate surveys regarding sexual violence;
- Any other remedy that can be tailored to the Parties to reasonably achieve the goals of this Policy.

Please contact the Title IX Coordinator at 310-660-3813 or via email at TitleIXCoordinator@elcamino.edu for assistance and to request changes.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES: FORMAL COMPLAINT & INVESTIGATION PROCESS

El Camino College is committed to providing a prompt, fair, and impartial process from the initial review to the final result for an institutional disciplinary proceeding. Officials (those who are chosen to conduct proceedings to address allegations of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking, as defined by the Clery Act) receive annual training on the issues related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking in order to ensure that officials know how to conduct an investigation and hearing process that protects the safety of survivors and promotes accountability.

The District shall use reasonable, diligent efforts to investigate reported incidents of Sexual or Gender-Based Misconduct to Complainant and Respondent within ninety (90) working days or the date in which the complaint was filed unless there are extenuating circumstances that prohibit the timeliness of the completion of the investigation.

The Formal Complaint & Investigation process has disciplinary implications and is governed by the California Code of Regulations. Its purpose is to determine whether or not there has been a violation of District policies. Where a Complainant notifies the Title IX Coordinator of allegations of Sexual or Gender-Based Misconduct and wishes to pursue a Formal Complaint, or where the Title IX Coordinator determines it is warranted based on a safety concern, an investigation into the allegations will be conducted by the Title IX Coordinator or their designee. The District is committed to using a balanced and fair investigative process for both Complainant and Respondent.

As set forth in the provisional procedures, the Scope of Formal Investigations conducted by the Office of Title IX, Diversity and Inclusion are limited to allegations of Sexual or Gender-Based Misconduct. This Formal Complaint and investigation process only applies in cases where Complainant has filed a complaint, the Title IX Coordinator has determined it is within the District's jurisdiction, and where the parties have opted not to pursue or agree to Informal Resolution.

The steps in the formal investigation process are as follows:

- 1. Notice of formal investigation
- 2. Investigation Process
- 3. Hearing
- 4. Investigative Findings

In reaching a conclusion, the District shall use a "preponderance-of-the-evidence" standard, that it is "more likely than not" that a violation of El Camino College Board Policy 3540 has occurred. Both Complainant and Respondent may have an advisor present during their own investigative interview and throughout the Hearing Process.

Whether or not the Respondent is found to be Responsible, both Complainant and Respondent will be notified simultaneously of the outcome of the Investigative Findings in writing, which include: The result of any institutional disciplinary proceeding that arises from an allegation of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, the institution's procedures for the accused and the survivor to appeal the result of the institutional disciplinary proceeding, if such procedures are available, any change of the result and when such results become final.

If after the conclusion of an investigation, the preponderance of the evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that Respondent violated District BP/AP 3540, the complaint will be determined substantiated. Appeals of the Investigative Findings & Administrative Determination are handled outside of the Office of Title IX, Diversity and Inclusion. When either party is not satisfied with the results of the administrative determination, they may, within ten (10) working days, submit a written appeal to the Board of Trustees. The Board shall review the original complaint, the investigative report, the administrative decision, and the appeal. The Board shall issue a final District decision in the matter within forty-five (45) working days after receiving the appeal. A copy of the decision rendered by the Board shall be forwarded to the Parties and to the State Chancellor's Office. If the board does not overturn the Hearing outcome within forty-five (45) working days the administrative determination shall be deemed approved and shall become the final decision of the District in this matter. Where a Respondent is found Responsible for violation of BP 3540, the Investigative Report and Hearing Officer's report will be submitted to the District Disciplinary Officer to serve as the basis of any applicable sanctions.

Pursuant to Administrative Procedure 5520 (Student Discipline Procedure), possible sanctions for students include: written or verbal reprimand, educational sanctions, probation, restitution, removal from class/facility/District entity, withdrawal of consent to remain on-campus, a No Contact Directive, short term suspension, long term suspension, intermediate interim suspension or expulsion. Sanctions for Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct incidents for employees that are workplace related would be administrated consistent with Board Policy 7365. Administrative Procedure 7800, applicable collective bargaining agreements, and legal requirements, which are subject to change. Employee discipline mechanisms include: Formal written reprimand, disciplinary probation, demotion, reassignment, involuntary transfer/reassignment, suspension with or without pay, or dismissal. Information concerning an employee's right to appeal a sanction may also be found within the applicable collective bargaining agreement or applicable board policy/administrative procedure.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES: INFORMAL RESOLUTION

If the Office of Title IX, Diversity and Inclusion or either Party believes that it may be possible to resolve the Complaint in a prompt, fair, and reasonable manner without conducting a Formal Complaint and Investigation, the Office of Title IX, Diversity and Inclusion may suggest the Parties consider Informal Resolution. Supportive measures and interim remedies may be implemented in Informal Resolution. Complainant may also opt to pursue an Informal Resolution, prior to or instead of a Formal Complaint. Unlike the formal resolution process, there are no disciplinary implications in the informal resolution process.

Both Parties must agree to participate in the Informal Resolution process and must agree in writing to the proposed remedies. Where Respondent does not agree to participate in Informal Resolution or where the Parties do not agree to the proposed remedies, Complainant will have the option to pursue a Formal Complaint or withdraw their complaint.

Where Complainant is a District Student and Respondent is a District Employee, Informal Resolution is not permitted.

The purpose of the informal process is not to investigate the matter or determine fault, but to 1) provide supportive measures and remedies to the involved parties, 2) share with the person at issue feedback from the aggrieved Party to prevent further potential issues and/or miscommunications, and 3) notify them of the type of behavior that can be construed as being in violation of our school board policies. The Title IX coordinator may work with relevant administrative offices, such as deans, faculty, or the District Disciplinary Officer, to coordinate and provide proposed supportive measures and remedies. There is no timeline associated with the informal process. Informal Resolution can be changed to a formal investigation if the circumstances warrant it. The protections against Retaliation apply in both informal and formal processes.

Where Respondent is a District Employee, the relevant supervisor is notified of the issue as well, not only to help monitor the situation, but to work with Human Resources on instituting any necessary interim actions. Where Respondent is a District Student, relevant instructors and administrative staff may be notified of the issue as well, to assist in monitoring the situation.

Once the Office of Title IX, Diversity and Inclusion has met with all relevant Parties to discuss the matter, the complaint will be considered resolved. Accordingly, there is no appeals process for informal resolution.

However, the Formal Complaint & Investigation process may be used prior to the final informal resolution at the request of Complainant or if information is provided that indicates a substantial or ongoing threat to the safety of the campus community.

BYSTANDER INTERVENTION

Bystander intervention is safe and positive options that may be carried out by an individual or individuals to prevent harm or intervene when there is a risk of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking. Bystander intervention includes recognizing situations of potential harm, understanding institutional structures, and cultural conditions that facilitate violence, overcoming barriers to intervening, identifying safe and effective intervention options, and taking action to intervene.

If you think someone is at risk for sexual assault, consider it an emergency and get involved. Do not wait for someone else to act. As a Bystander, you can help combat domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking and rape. Your most powerful tool is conveying your concern. The best way bystanders can assist in creating an empowering climate free of interpersonal violence is to diffuse the problem behaviors before they escalate.

This can be accomplished by:

- Approaching everyone as a friend
- · Being honest and direct whenever possible
- · Avoiding the use of violence
- Not being antagonistic
- Keeping yourself safe
- Recruiting help if necessary
- Getting help from other bystanders, if necessary
- If things get out of hand or become too serious, contact the police

RISK REDUCTION

Risk reduction is options designed to decrease perpetration and bystander inaction, increase empowerment for victims in order to promote safety and help individuals and communities address conditions that facilitate violence. According to the Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN), the following are some tips to reduce your risk of crime, including sexual violence:

• Stay alert - When you're moving around campus, always be aware of your surroundings.

• Know your resources - Know who to contact and where you should go if you or a friend needs help. Notice where emergency phones are located on campus and program the ECC Police Department phone number into your cell phone for easy access.

• Think about Plan B - Spend some time to think about back-up plans for potentially sticky situations. For example, have some emergency cash in case you can't use your credit card or memorize a few phone numbers in case you don't have your cell phone.

• Make a plan - If you're going out, go with people you trust and agree to watch out for each other by planning to leave together. Don't leave someone stranded in an unsafe situation.

• Know your limits/protect your drink - Keep track of the drinks you've had and be aware of your friend's behavior. Don't leave your drink unattended and watch out for your friend's drinks if you can.

• It's okay to lie - If you want to exit a situation immediately, it's okay to lie. You're never obligated to remain in a situation that makes you feel uncomfortable, pressured or threatened. You can also lie to help a friend leave a situation that may be dangerous.

• Trust your instincts - If you notice something that doesn't feel right, it probably isn't.

THE CLERY ACT

In accordance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, El Camino College has published an Annual Security Report and all required statistical data, which can be found at the following URL: <u>www.elcamino.edu/annualsecurityreport</u>. These publications include Clery crime statistics for the previous three years relevant to El Camino College classes and activities, in addition to institutional policies concerning campus safety and security. The information is also available in printed form in the lobby of the Police Department and in select locations on campus. Upon request, the ECC Police Department can provide or mail out copies of this publication. Contact them at 310-660-3100.