



## PT Schools Promise

Every student will be **known, supported, and engaged** and graduate with the skills to thrive in the world and change it for the better.

## Athletics Update and Title IX Equity in Sports Report

To: Superintendent Rosenbury and Port Townsend School Board Directors

From: Shelby Box, Athletic Director

Subject: Athletics Update and Title IX Equity in Sports Report

Date: August 17, 2023

**Context:** This report fulfills the requirements of the annual evaluation required by Policy 3501. The participation of female and male athletes is substantially proportionate to the overall enrollment.

### Section I - Progress Towards Goals

- **Goals:** Produce Better Humans, Increase Equitable Opportunities, and Support Academics
- **Our purpose** as an athletic department is to produce better humans, this fits right in with the Vision 2027. Coaches are encouraged and trained to know, support, and encourage their athletes.
- Data Analysis
  - **Participation Numbers** In 21-22 PT had 127 athletes participate in sports. In 22-23 that number increased to 178. In 22-23 there were 251 athletes total (PT and CHS), out of those total athletes 54% were male. 71% of athletes who participated in the combine were PT athletes. Out of the 178 PT athletes 52% of them were male. 46% of all PT athletes participated in more than one sport.
  - According to the sport **interest survey** filled out by the students, we offer most of the sports students want to participate in with the exception of soccer at the middle level and weightlifting as a competitive sport. Also of note, everyone loves badminton.
  - **Equity:** In 2021-22, participation in HS sports of those who qualify for free and reduced lunches was 38% (72 CSD, 180 PTSD). Overall participation increased. Coordinated with school staff to waive fees for low-income students and their families. Disaggregated data on participation by income status was not available to me at this time.

### Section II - Celebrations

- Successfully competed in the Nisqually League as the East Jefferson Rivals in combination with Chimacum High School
- 0 Ejections for the year!
- Brought the EJ Rivals into the 21st Century by adding the option of **digital ticketing** with GoFan
- Added Fastpitch **Softball** back after a 4+ year drought
- Many teams received **academic awards** through the WIAA because of high team cumulative GPAs
- 9 **Swimmers** competed at State with Gillian McCracken placing 2nd in both her events at the adaptive meet

- Girls **XC** placed 6th as a team at State, Boys placed 12th
- Girls **Soccer** competed in the postseason
- 3 Rivals **Wrestlers** competed at State, MiAmada Lanphear Ramirez placed 3rd in her weight class
- Both Girls and Boys **Basketball** competed in the postseason
- Boys and Girls **Track and Field** sent multiple athletes to State with a couple of them bringing home medals, including Elise Gardner (2nd place in Javelin), Alliyah Yearian (2nd place in the 800, 1600, and 3200)
- The Boys' **Tennis** doubles team consisting of Stuart Dow and Reid Martin competed at State finishing 5th overall
- Athletes learned many **life lessons** both on and off the field/court.

### Section III – Challenges & Next Steps

- Navigating the two **cultures** of Port Townsend and Chimacum
  - Next Steps - over communicate with principals so they can communicate with families (memo about practice/game locations)
  - Encourage coaches to over communicate to families as well as athletes so everyone is on the same page.
- Participation of those experiencing **poverty**
  - Next Steps - get families who have athletes participating season passes without making it awkward for them.
  - Continue to work with the Transportation Department to be able to provide transportation for students who have limited options.
- **Transportation** - mostly regarding practice
  - Continue to recruit bus drivers
  - If there was any way to have transportation after practice I know that would encourage more students to participate.

### Section IV - Board Role

- Spreading the word or **attending an event**, especially those events with historically low attendance (tennis, cross country, swimming, etc.)
- Continue to support **levies** that fund athletics
- **Recognizing participants** at an upcoming board meeting
- Get your CDL and **drive** a designated sports bus! 🤪