

## IS THIS A POSSIBLE TITLE IX ISSUE?

- Does the allegation include sex-based actions (e.g., sex-based verbal or written communications; sex-based drawings or pictures; sexually inappropriate videos; sexual assault; etc.) that were committed in a context over which the district has substantial control?
  - On campus or during an online class
  - Off campus location owned or controlled by the school district
  - Off campus but a school-sponsored event
- If yes, determine whether the allegation might constitute one of the following:
  - Quid pro quo: An employee of the recipient conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the recipient on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct.
  - Hostile environment on the basis of sex
    - Unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so:
      - Severe (sexual contact, touching in inappropriate places, public sexual shaming/objectification, or repeated incidents of less severe conduct), or
      - **Pervasive** (pattern or practice, widespread, occurring in public spaces), *and*
      - **Objectively offensive** (age and relationship of the parties, number of people involved, severity, humiliation, intimidation, abuse, etc.)
    - that it denies a person equal access to the district's education program or activity.
  - "Sexual assault", "dating violence", "domestic violence", or "stalking."
- If no, pursue under a different element of the student code of conduct (i.e., disrespect, inappropriate words or actions, bullying, threats, etc.).