

WOMEN IN SPORTS

SF0051 IS NOT EFFECTIVE AT ITS PURPOSE IN PROTECTING WOMEN AND GIRLS

WYOMING'S CURRENT POLICY WORKS

The current policy within the Wyoming High School Activities Association considers students on an individual basis. The policy includes notice to the school, a notice to the WHSAA, and an established appeals process.¹

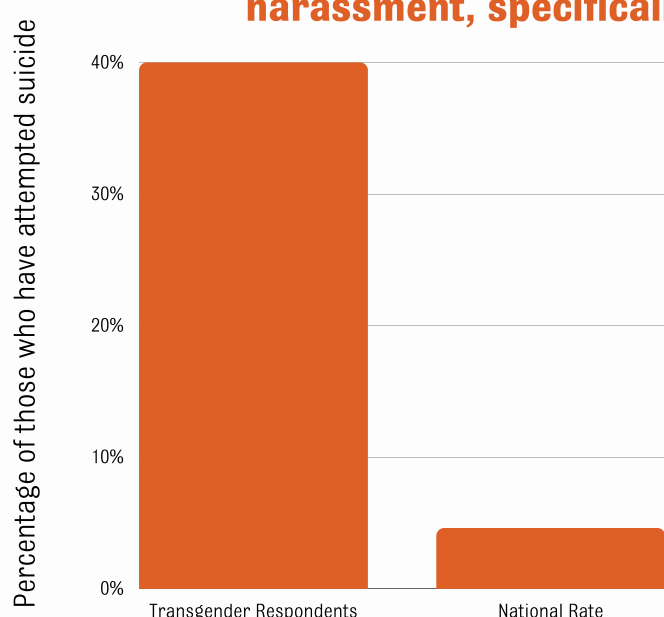
SF51 VIOLATES TITLE IX AND THE EQUAL PROTECTION CLAUSE.

Other states with similar legislation are battling lawsuits. Wyoming could avoid that.³

"As many courts, including four federal appeals courts, have recognized, laws prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex prohibit discrimination against transgender people — meaning that transgender students have a right to equal access to educational opportunities under Title IX."⁹

EXCLUSION OF TRANS WOMEN HAS DETRIMENTAL CONSEQUENCES

Exclusion due to gender identity increases rate of attempted suicide, poverty, psychological distress, and chances of being victims of harassment, specifically in K-12 schooling.²



Forty percent (40%) of respondents in the U.S. Transgender Survey have attempted suicide in their lifetime, nearly nine times the rate in the U.S. population (4.6%).

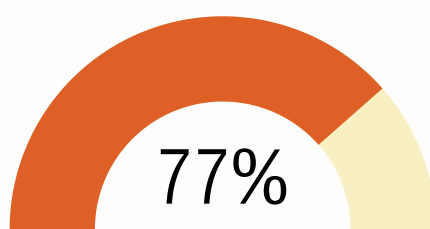
Graph adapted from [USTS](#)

"The opportunity to give a student a place of belonging and friendship... is not only more valuable to trans athletes, but for everyone."

- Mack Kramer⁸

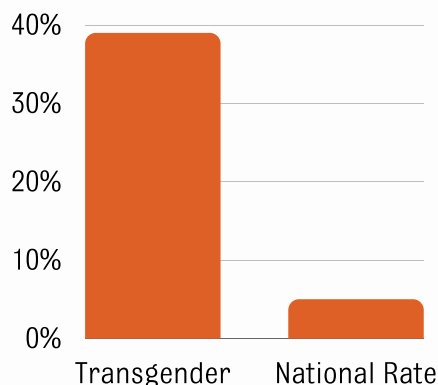
"Mack came out as transgender during our first year at UWyo in 2020 and last September Mack committed suicide in their dorm room. Mack was an incredible member of the UWyo community... On paper, they were the perfect UWyo student... But, my friend is no longer here. They cannot be the one tell you about their struggle with being transgender at UWyo and in Wyoming. So I'm here to do it."

-Hanna Crockett on Mack Kramer.⁷
Testifying against SF51



More than three-quarters (77%) of those who were out or perceived as transgender at some point between K-12 experienced some form of mistreatment because people thought they were transgender.

A staggering 39% of transgender respondents experienced serious psychological distress in the month prior to completing the survey, compared with only 5% of the U.S. population.²



EXTRACURRICULARS AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY

In western states, trans people are four times more likely to experience extreme poverty, likely due to exclusion from school and employment.⁴

Students who partake in extracurriculars are more likely to receive higher grades, test scores, have higher self-confidence, attend class more regularly. They are more likely to attend higher education after High School and become employed.^{5,6}

PLEASE VOTE NO ON SF0051!

REFERENCES

- [Wyoming High School Activities Association Handbook](#)
- [U.S. Transgender Survey Report](#)
- [National Law Review: Transgendered Athlete Participation](#)
- [Western States Results of USTS](#)
- [Effects of Extracurricular Activities on Students](#)
- [Extracurricular Participation and Student Engagement](#)
- [Wyoming Senate Education Meeting \(02/21/22\)](#)
- [Mack Kramer's Op-Ed](#)
- [Know Your IX](#)



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