LGBTQIA+ Confidential Point of Contact at Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District

In Accordance with SB 1491 (Effective January 1, 2025)

Overview

Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District (GCCCD) is committed to creating an inclusive and supportive environment for all members of our community. To better serve the unique needs of LGBTQIA+ students, faculty, and staff, each campus now offers a dedicated Confidential Point of Contact. These individuals are here to provide a safe, informed, and nonjudgmental space for support and connection. While distinct from the Title IX Office, they work in alignment with our college policies and are not obligated to report incidents of sexual harassment, discrimination, or violence without your written permission. This role reflects our District's ongoing effort to center trust, respect, and empowerment in every interaction.

Key Responsibilities and Confidentiality Protections

The designated Confidential Point of Contact for LGBTQIA+ individuals:

- Shall not disclose any confidential information shared with them regarding alleged acts of sexual harassment, sexual violence, or discrimination unless written consent is provided by the reporting party.
- Is **not** responsible for initiating investigations or reporting allegations to Title IX or campus administration without consent.
- Must operate in a manner that is **fully consistent with Title IX regulations** and college policies.

Why This Role Matters

SB 1491 builds upon previous legislation (AB 620) by formally requiring each community college campus to appoint a dedicated, **confidential** support person for LGBTQIA+ individuals. This ensures that:

- Members of the LGBTQIA+ community have a trusted, informed resource for support.
- The designated individual is **trained**, **accessible**, and **aware** of both on-campus and offcampus resources.
- Confidentiality is maintained unless the individual chooses otherwise.

Published Contact Information

The following individuals have been appointed as the **Confidential Points of Contact** for LGBTQIA+ individuals at each campus:

Grossmont College

Name: Victoria Rodriguez, Dean of Student Success & Equity Title: LGBTQIA+ Confidential Point of Contact Email: <u>victoria.rodriguez@gcccd.edu</u> Phone: 619-644-7735

Cuyamaca College

Name: Victoria Marron, Vice President of Student Services, Office of the President Title: LGBTQIA+ Confidential Point of Contact Email: <u>victoria.marron@gcccd.edu</u> Phone: 619-644-4314

Confidentiality Reminder: These individuals are not responsible employees for Title IX purposes. They are not required—and are not permitted—to disclose information shared with them about sexual misconduct or discrimination unless you provide written consent.

Support & Referrals

Your Confidential Point of Contact can:

- Listen to concerns in a safe and private space.
- Provide information on resources and support services for LGBTQIA+ individuals.
- Help connect you—with your consent—to the Title IX Office, mental health counseling, or advocacy organizations.

They are also trained to be knowledgeable about:

- GCCCD's Title IX reporting procedures.
- Anti-harassment, intimidation, and bullying policies.
- Local and regional LGBTQIA+ support services.

Policies and Resources

To foster an inclusive, safe environment, GCCCD maintains policies addressing:

- Harassment, intimidation, and bullying of students and employees.
- **Nondiscrimination** on the basis of sex, gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation.

These policies are available:

• On the GCCCD Policies and Procedures, <u>https://www.gcccd.edu/governing-board/policies-procedures.php</u>

Questions?

If you have questions about this program or wish to reach the District Title IX Office directly, please contact:

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