

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Title IX

WHAT: The U.S. Postal Service will commemorate the 50th anniversary of Title IX

> with the release of four new Forever stamps, at a First Day of Issue (FDOI) ceremony. The stamps feature four female athletes: a runner, a swimmer, a

gymnast, and a soccer player.

WHEN: 11 a.m. EST, Thursday, March 3, 2022

WHERE: U.S. Department of Education

> 400 Maryland Ave. SW Washington, D.C. 20202

WHO: Amber McReynolds, governor, Postal Service Board of Governors

Cindy Marten, deputy secretary, Department of Education

Catherine Lhamon, assistant secretary, Office of Civil Rights, Department

of Education

Sheila Johnson, managing partner and governor, Washington Mystics

TICKETS: Those interested in attending this event must first register at <u>usps.com/titleix</u>.

Attendees must attest to their COVID-19 vaccination status.

All visitors to the U.S. Department of Education (DoE) are required to show **VENUE PROTOCOL:**

or weapons of any sort are not permitted.

photo ID. Visitors are subject to screening upon entry. As of the date of this advisory, the Education Department requires individuals who visit its facilities to provide their vaccination status. Individuals must attest to the truthfulness of the response they provide. Individuals who are not vaccinated, partially vaccinated, or decline to provide information about their vaccination status must provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test from no later than the previous three days prior to entry to a federal building. In addition, a face covering must be worn at all times in public areas, and social distancing is requested. This protocol may be adjusted at the time the FDOI is held. Guns

BACKGROUND:

Passed as a clause in the Education Amendments of 1972, Title IX is a civil rights law prohibiting discrimination based on sex in any educational program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. In the 50 years since its passage, Title IX has been applied widely at elementary, secondary, and post-secondary institutions. The law covers a broad range of programs and resources. Most visibly, Title IX has created pathways for enriching women's athletics programs, allowing for more competitive sports offerings, stronger physical education regimens and equal spaces to play. Additionally, Title IX prohibits sexual harassment, including sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking on school campuses or during school programs or activities. Fifty years later, Title IX is still evolving. The law has affected generations of young people in the United States, and the work to provide protections for even more in the future continues.

Customers may purchase postage stamps and other philatelic products at the <u>Postal Store</u>, by calling 844-737-7826, by mail through <u>USA Philatelic</u>, or at Post Office locations nationwide.

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