



ORS 350.345 Annual Report Relating to Sexual Misconduct

Overview

The following report is provided pursuant to ORS 350.345 for the 2025-2026 academic year which includes data from June 23rd, 2025 through June 12th, 2026. For questions related to this report, please contact Jill Childress at childrj@linnbenton.edu or Heather Mercer at mercerh@linnbenton.edu.

ORS 350.345 requires all Oregon institutions of higher education to submit this report to the Legislative committees on education, the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, and the Director of the Department of Human Services by October 1 of each year. Oregon Administrative Rule 715-030-0040 clarifies what should be included in the report.

The text of the statute subsection and any related element of the rule precede each table to explain what is included in the counts.

Reporting Tables by Subsection

ORS 350.345 (a) *The total number of allegations of sexual misconduct during the previous academic year that were reported to the institution's Title IX Coordinator by a student or employee of the institution against:*

(A) Another student or employee of the institution; or

(B) An unknown individual or an individual for whom the institution categorizes the report as "other."

OAR 715-030-0040(1) *For the purposes of ORS 350.345(2)(a), a report of sexual misconduct made to a Title IX coordinator or equivalent official includes any report made by a student or employee of the institution, regardless of whether it is a first person account, third-person account, or anonymous account provided the report includes information that:*

(a) the person who experienced the sexual misconduct is a student or employee of the institution; and

(b) there is sufficient information to determine the type of sexual misconduct that occurred.

OAR 715-030-0040(2) *An institution need only report and count one incidence of sexual misconduct if multiple reports are made of the same sexual misconduct action committed by the same person against the same victim.*

ORS 350.345(a)	# reported by students	# reported by employees	Total count
Allegations of sexual misconduct reported during the previous academic year	30* *One of these was reported by a student at a different institution.	0	30

ORS 350.345(b) *The number of law enforcement investigations known to have been initiated during the previous academic year in response to reports of sexual misconduct that were brought forward by a student or employee of the institution.*

OAR 715-030-0040(5) A "law enforcement investigation" is an investigation conducted by:

(a) County sheriffs, municipal police departments, police departments established by a university under ORS 352.121 or 353.125, and state police;

(b) Other police officers of this state or another state, including humane special agents as defined in ORS 181A.345;

(c) A tribal government as defined in ORS 181A.940 that employs authorized tribal police officers as defined in ORS 181A.940; or

(d) Law enforcement agencies of the federal government.

OAR 715-030-0040(6) *An institution shall count each investigation initiated by law enforcement during the reporting period in response to sexual misconduct that was also reported to the institution regardless of when the sexual misconduct was reported to the institution.*

ORS 350.345(b)	# in response to student reports	# in response to employee reports	Total count
Law enforcement investigations initiated in response to reports of sexual misconduct	10	0	10



ORS 350.345(c) *The number of students and employees at the institution who were found responsible during the previous academic year for violating the institution's policies prohibiting sexual misconduct.*

ORS 350.345(c)	# of students	# of employees	Total count
Found responsible for violating policies prohibiting sexual misconduct	1	0	1

ORS 350.345(d) *The number of students and employees at the institution who during the previous academic year, faced academic or employment disciplinary action due to having violated the institution's policies prohibiting sexual misconduct.*

ORS 350.345(d)	# of students	# of employees	Total count
Faced academic or employment disciplinary action due to having violated the institution's policies prohibiting sexual misconduct.	1	0	1

ORS 350.345(e) *The number of students and employees at the institution who, during the previous academic year, were investigated, but found not responsible for having violated the institution's policies prohibiting sexual misconduct. If the number under this paragraph exceeds eight, the report must include a narrative section describing why sexual misconduct cases were closed, including the most common reasons, and may also include campus-specific categories of reasons for each investigation being closed and a total number for each category.*

OAR 715-030-0040(8) *An institution shall not include the student or employee in the count of individuals investigated but not found responsible for violating sexual misconduct policies or codes of conduct prohibiting sexual misconduct policies if they were found responsible for other violations of sexual misconduct policies or codes of conduct prohibiting sexual misconduct during the reporting period.*

ORS 350.345(e)	# students found not responsible	# employees found not responsible	Total count (if total exceeds 8, explain in narrative section L)
Investigated but not found responsible for sexual misconduct	0	0	0



ORS 350.345(f) The number of complainants who, during the previous academic year, requested supportive measures.

OAR 715-030-0040(9) An institution shall report the number of complainants reporting sexual misconduct to the institution's Title IX coordinator or equivalent official who requested supportive measures, not the number of complainants to whom supportive measures were offered.

ORS 350.345 (f)	# students making requests	#employees making requests	Total count
Complainants who requested supportive measures	17	1	18

ORS 350.345(g) The number of supportive measures requested by each complainant described in paragraph (f) of this subsection.

OAR 715-030-0040(10) An institution shall report the number of complainants requesting a specific number of supportive measures: for example: 4 complainants requested 1 supportive measure; 3 complainants requested 2 supportive measures; etc.

ORS 350.345(g)	# students making requests	#employees making requests	Total count
Requested any supportive measures	30	2	32
Requested 1 supportive measures	13* *Outreach is counted as one supportive measure	0	13
Requested 2 supportive measures	6	0	6
Requested 3 supportive measures	7	0	7
Requested 4 supportive measures	3	1	4
Requested 6 supportive measures	1	1	2



ORS 350.345(h) The number of supportive measures granted to each complainant described in paragraph (f) of this subsection. The institution may use the optional narrative section (L) that accompanies the number under this paragraph to describe the supportive measures provided to complainants, and to include, at the institution's discretion, a list of supportive measures, including emergency housing, if available, offered by the institution, and the number of times each supportive measure was used.

OAR 715-030-0040(11) An institution shall report the number of complainants who received a certain number of supportive measures: for example: 4 complainants received 1 supportive measure; 3 complainants received 2 supportive measures; etc.

ORS 350.345(h)	# students receiving supportive measures	#employees receiving supportive measures	Total count
Received any supportive measures	30	2	32
Received 1 supportive measure	13	0	13
Received 2 supportive measures	6	0	6
Received 3 supportive measures	7	0	7
Received 4 supportive measures	3	1	4
Received 6 supportive measures	1	1	2

ORS 350.345(i) The number of students or employees of the institution who reported experiencing sexual misconduct at the institution but who declined to participate or requested no investigation.

OAR 715-030-0040(12) An institution shall report the number of individuals who made a report to the Title IX coordinator or equivalent official during the reporting period and either declined to participate in an investigation initiated by the institution or requested that the institution not conduct an investigation into the report. An individual who did not respond to communications about the availability of an investigation shall be considered to have declined to participate in an investigation. Report the number of students and the number of employees separately.

ORS 350.345(i)	# students	#employees	Total count
Complainant declined to participate or requested no investigation	29	0	29



ORS 350.345(j) The number of ongoing investigations into an accusation of sexual misconduct.

OAR 715-030-0040(13) An institution shall report the number of open investigations of sexual misconduct initiated by the institution that were not resolved during the previous academic year, regardless of when the investigation was initiated.

ORS 350.345(j)	Total count
Ongoing investigations	0

ORS 350.345(k) The types of violence reported at the institution. For any institution with greater than eight reports under this paragraph, the institution shall provide a narrative section describing the types of sexual misconduct experienced on the campus of the institution and may also include any campus-specific categories of sexual misconduct experienced on the campus of the institution and the number of reports for each category.

OAR 715-030-0040(3) For purposes of ORS 350.345(2)(k), "types of violence" means "types of sexual misconduct." The "types of sexual misconduct" are:

- (a) sexual harassment
- (b) sexual violence
- (c) intimate partner violence
- (d) domestic violence
- (e) sexual exploitation
- (f) stalking
- (g) harassment or violence based on sexual orientation; or
- (h) gender-based harassment or violence.

Use the definitions of each type of sexual misconduct as provided in OAR 715-030-0001.

ORS 350.345(k) Type of violence	Total count reported (if total exceeds 8, explain in narrative section L)
Sexual harassment: unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature. Sexual harassment includes unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal, nonverbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature where such conduct is sufficiently severe or pervasive that it has the effect, intended or unintended, of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance or it has created an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment and would have such an effect on a reasonable person.	6 reports



ORS 350.345(k) Type of violence	Total count reported (if total exceeds 8, explain in narrative section L)
Sexual violence: actual or attempted physical contact of a sexual nature or in a sexual context without the other person's consent, if the other person is incapacitated in any way, or without their ability to refuse the physical contact. Sexual violence includes physical contact through violence, coercion, or when the person is unable to give consent or refuse the physical contact because of vulnerability, intoxication, or unconsciousness. Examples of physical contact of a sexual nature or in a sexual context include forcible kissing, penetration of someone's body by another person's body part or an object, or the use of their body to penetrate another, and touching another person's intimate areas (for example, breasts, genitals, or buttocks), including groping, fondling, rape, sexual assault, and sexual abuse.	5 reports
Intimate partner violence: a form of domestic violence in which the persons involved are in a relationship of a romantic or sexual nature. The relationship may be past or current. Other terms for this might include "dating violence" or "relationship abuse."	11 reports
Domestic violence: attempting to cause or causing physical or emotional injury; placing another in fear of physical or emotional injury; or engaging in any sexual contact without the other person's consent when the other person is a spouse, former spouse, adult related by blood or marriage, a person cohabitating, a person having cohabitated in the past, a person involved or previously involved in a sexually intimate relationship, or unmarried co-parent of a minor child. Domestic violence includes coercive control; physical abuse; financial abuse or control; emotional abuse; technological abuse; reproductive coercion; sexual violence; sexual exploitation; and stalking.	14 reports



ORS 350.345(k) Type of violence	Total count reported (if total exceeds 8, explain in narrative section L)
Sexual exploitation: any actual or attempted abuse of a position of vulnerability, differential power, or trust, for sexual purposes in the absence of consent. Sexual exploitation includes: (a) Creating or sharing an intimate or sexual image or recording of a person's likeness without their consent or sending intimate or sexual images or recordings to a person without their consent; coercing another person to create an intimate image or record a sexual act under threat of physical, emotional, or financial abuse; (b) Displaying intimate areas of one's body to another person without their consent in a place where such display would not reasonably be expected; engaging in sexual activity while another person was present without their consent; or (c) Observing another person's intimate areas or sexual activity without their knowledge or consent and in a place where the person has a reasonable expectation of privacy.	0 reports
Stalking: repeated and unwanted contact that causes the victim reasonable apprehension regarding the personal safety of the victim or a member of the victim's immediate family or household and it is objectively reasonable for a person in the victim's situation to have been alarmed or coerced by the contact. Stalking includes, but is not limited to, repeated and unwanted contact such as: electronic or in-person surveillance; sending communications including unwanted items to the target or people in the target's family, school, or workplace; tracking the target's physical location; accessing or monitoring a person's phone and other computing devices; property damage; and threats. Stalking may involve the use of third parties to accomplish the behaviors.	6 reports



ORS 350.345(k) Type of violence	Total count reported (if total exceeds 8, explain in narrative section L)
Harassment or violence based on sexual orientation: either harassment based on sexual orientation or violence based on sexual orientation. (a) Harassment based on sexual orientation means unwelcome conduct based on a person's real or perceived sexual orientation. This includes unwelcome advances, economic manipulation, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal, nonverbal or physical conduct based on sexual orientation and of a nature where such conduct is sufficiently severe or pervasive that it has the effect, intended or unintended, of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance or it has created an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment and would have such an effect on a reasonable person. (b) Violence based on sexual orientation means any form of violence against an individual based on the person's real or perceived sexual orientation. This includes physical, sexual, and psychological abuse; threats; coercion; and arbitrary deprivation of liberty, whether in public or private life.	0 reports of harassment or violence based on sexual orientation



ORS 350.345(k) Type of violence	Total count reported (if total exceeds 8, explain in narrative section L)
Gender-based harassment or violence: either gender-based harassment or gender-based violence. (a) Gender-based harassment means unwelcome conduct against an individual based on their biological sex, gender identity or expression, or perceived deviation from socially defined expectations of male-female binary gender stereotypes. This includes unwelcome gender-based advances, economic manipulation, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal, nonverbal or physical conduct of a gender-based nature where such conduct is sufficiently severe or pervasive that it has the effect, intended or unintended, of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance or it has created an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment and would have such an effect on a reasonable person. (b) Gender-based violence means any form of violence against an individual based on their biological sex, gender identity or expression, or perceived deviation from socially defined expectations of male-female binary gender stereotypes. This includes physical, sexual, and psychological abuse; threats; coercion; and arbitrary deprivation of liberty, whether in public or private life.	3 reports of gender-based harassment 0 reports of gender-based violence

Narrative

ORS 350.345(L) A section for narrative discussion in which the institution may:

- (A) Describe any work being done at the institution to ensure the institution has accurate information;
- (B) Explain any trends and changes in data regarding the numbers being reported;
- (C) Discuss any supportive measures provided or potential gaps in supportive measures being provided; and
- (D) Discuss how the institution is working to eliminate sexual misconduct on the campus of the institution.



Linn-Benton Community College is a 2-year, non-residential institution serving students at three different campus locations in Linn and Benton counties, as well as distance students via online learning. The student population headcount at the Fall 2025 census was 5,145 degree-seeking and credit-seeking students (LBCC IPEDS data). The institution's Title IX Coordinator is the Executive Director of Human Resources, and the Title IX Deputy Coordinator is the Manager for Student Conduct and Retention. Following is additional narrative information to give context to this report.

(A) Additional Information: Ensuring Accuracy

LBCC works to ensure accuracy of information in a few different ways. Primarily, LBCC students and employees are trained on sexual misconduct policies, the process for reporting, possible outcomes of reports, an overview of examples and statistics of sexual misconduct, consent, healthy relationships, and bystander intervention via the self-paced Healthy and Safe Campus course in LBCC's learning management system (Canvas). LBCC also maintains cases via the case management system, Maxient, which allows for consistent review of cases and accurate data reporting.

(B) Additional Information: Trends and/or Changes in Data

The numbers of reported misconduct are relatively low, so it may be difficult to extrapolate trends from such small *ns*. However, the highest reported categories of sexual misconduct are intimate partner violence (IPV) and domestic violence, which aligns with the context of our campus student population. LBCC is a non-residential campus, with a higher average age of students, with many students coming to campus in pre-established relationships, and with deleterious impacts from those relationships (if any) occurring largely off-campus. Therefore, higher reports of IPV-type behavior compared to other types of misconduct is what we would expect based on our student population and institutional context.

In **sections c, d, and e**, no formal complaint was filed by any of the reporting parties or the Title IX Coordinator to initiate investigation and/or a grievance procedure. In many cases, LBCC had no jurisdiction over the alleged. LBCC does not have jurisdiction over non-students or non-employees, nor can LBCC take action if the accused party is our student or employee but is not disclosed by a reporting party or complainant, or if no complaint is received. In many cases, complainants are only seeking supportive measures. Additionally, some cases are resolved through informal measures such as supporting students with boundary setting, coaching conversations, or initiating no contact directives.

(C) Additional Information: Supportive Measures Provided

LBCC offers a wide variety of supportive measures (**sections f, g, and h**), customized to the needs of the student or employee making the request. These include, but are not limited to, late withdrawals, tuition refunds, support for requesting course incompletes, support for requesting deadline extensions, referral to resources on campus and in the community, no contact directives, safety planning, campus escorts, and schedule changes.



The number in **section i** reflects the number of students or employees who were either unresponsive to outreach from the Title IX staff, or who received supportive measures but did not request any further action.

(D) Additional Information: Efforts to Eliminate Sexual Misconduct at LBCC

LBCC offers a variety of programs and initiatives in an effort to eliminate sexual misconduct on campus. In addition to the Healthy and Safe Campus training (offered through the institution learning management system) that educates on sexual misconduct policies, reporting process, bystander intervention, consent, and healthy relationships (among other topics), the campus also offers educational workshops and programs at various times throughout the year, on topics that include consent, healthy relationships, how to respond to a disclosure, and relevant community partners and resources. LBCC also hosted a series of educational activities to continue to increase awareness during Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) in April, including a session on Trauma-Informed teaching; an event on how drug use can impact consent; a poetry and healing workshop; and a Denim Day and Consent tabling event across multiple campuses. Employees or student groups who are interested in additional workshops or training are invited to contact the Student Conduct and Retention office to discuss details on program collaboration. More information about LBCC's sexual misconduct policies, resources, and other information can be found at linnbenton.edu/titleix.

(E) Other Clarifications

Section (b):

The numbers of cases that included a law enforcement investigation reflect what was reported to us; not every reporting party disclosed this information. This may not reflect the extent to which law enforcement is involved in cases, nor may this number reflect the number of cases that students are pursuing with law enforcement that were not reported to LBCC.

Section (f):

If a student was referred to more than one off-campus resource, that is counted as one supportive measure. If a student was referred to more than one on-campus resource, that is counted as one supportive measure.

Section (h):

List of supportive measures includes, but is not limited to:

- Title IX process counseling
- Academic support: withdrawal
- Academic support: change course section
- Academic support: removal of courses from transcript
- Academic support: extension of deadline
- Academic support: excused absence
- Academic support: course incomplete



- Academic support: tuition refund
- Academic support: other
- Referral to campus resource(s)
- Referral to external (off-campus) resource(s)
- Safety planning
- Campus escort
- Referral to confidential advocacy
- Referral to mental health support
- No contact directives
- Adjustment in work duties and/or location

Section (k):

IPV and DV are very similar. For the purposes of this report, LBCC is reporting IPV numbers that indicate relationship violence based on *current or previous romantic or sexual relationship*, while DV indicates relationship violence that *includes the IPV definition and numbers as well as familial violence* (e.g. parent to child or sibling to sibling).

Sexual harassment as a category is very specific about sexual advances or other unwelcome sexual behavior. Some cases reported were not explicitly sexual but did involve unwanted and unwelcome attention directed at an individual based on what the complainant perceived was their gender. In these instances, the behavior was categorized as *sexual harassment or violence - gender-based*. Additionally, for the categories of *sexual harassment or violence on the basis of sexual orientation* and *sexual harassment or violence on the basis of gender*, where applicable, those categories are broken out separately.

