



## **SB 8 in Effect for All Texas Public School Districts**

Texas Senate Bill 8 (SB 8), also known as the Texas Women's Privacy Act, is in effect for all Texas public school districts. This law requires districts to clearly designate private and non-private spaces – such as locker rooms – and to follow specific procedures when those spaces are used for supervision, instruction or coaching.

The law provides a few exemptions on when people are allowed into restrooms not matching their sex assigned at birth:

- Those entering to render emergency medical assistance to someone which includes athletic trainers, team physicians, or other medical personnel
- Workers or custodial staff cleaning the facilities, doing maintenance or performing inspections
- Law enforcement purposes
- Assisting an individual who needs assistance using the facility
- Rendering assistance to prevent a serious threat to order or safety
- Those accompanying someone who needs assistance using the facility
- Children aged 9 or younger who are accompanied by an adult or individual caring for the child

Anthony ISD will implement the following procedures across applicable campuses as well as athletic and performance facilities to remain compliant with SB 8 while continuing to support student safety, privacy and appropriate supervision

- Locker/dressing rooms will be designated as private spaces by default.
- During limited, intentional periods, such as when staff supervision or coaching is required, a locker/dressing room may be temporarily reclassified as a non-private space.
- Prior to any temporary change in designation, staff will provide a clear verbal announcement to ensure students have adequate time to prepare.
- Signage will be displayed at locker/dressing/band and theater room entrances indicating whether the space is currently designated as Non-Private.

These procedures are designed to ensure that student privacy is always protected, while also allowing staff to fulfill their supervisory responsibilities in a safe, respectful and legally compliant manner.



Anthony ISD will continue to monitor implementation and make adjustments as needed. Our commitment remains the same: maintaining a safe, respectful and compliant learning environment for all students.

If you have questions regarding this process or how it will be applied on your campus, please contact your campus administration or the Anthony ISD central office.