

Student Rights and Options under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

If you experience sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking, you have specific rights and options under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and the Clery Act. Flagler College is committed to your safety and access to education. You may choose which steps, if any, you wish to take.

1. Your Rights

You have the right to be treated with respect and sensitivity; receive written information about rights, options, and available resources; report or decline to report; request supportive measures; be accompanied by an advisor of your choice; receive timely notice of outcomes; and be free from retaliation.

2. Reporting Options

A. Report to Flagler College: Jess Kobryn, Senior Director of Institutional Equity, jkobryn@flagler.edu, flagler.edu/reporting

B. Report to Law Enforcement: St. Augustine Police Department – (904) 825-1070 | Emergency: 911.

C. Confidential Support: Flagler College Counseling Center, Flagler College Health Services, and Betty Griffin Center (24/7 Hotline: 904-824-1555).

3. Supportive Measures

Flagler can assist you with academic adjustments, housing or schedule changes, no-contact directives, access to counseling or medical care, and safety planning. Supportive measures are available whether or not you pursue a formal complaint.

4. Preserving Evidence

If you experienced sexual assault, try to preserve physical evidence (clothing, bedding, messages, photos). Avoid bathing or changing clothes until evidence can be collected. The closest evidence collection (SANE exam) is available at UF Flagler Hospital.

5. Campus Process

Incidents that occur on campus will be processed through the Sexual Harassment Policy. Incidents that occur off campus will be process through the Student Code of Conduct. If you choose to pursue a campus complaint: investigations are prompt, fair, and impartial; both parties may present evidence; and both receive written notice of outcomes and appeals.

Flagler College prohibits retaliation against anyone who reports, participates, or supports another student in exercising their rights. For more information, visit www.flagler.edu/titleix.