

I am Nancy Fox and I live in Minneapolis, MN. I am 75 years old and a competing powerlifter. I was in high school in the late 50s and early 60s when there was no such thing as competitive sports for women. We even had to play half-court basketball because we were, you know, just girls. Women worked long and hard to get the right to compete in sports on the same level as men. Boys and men's sports had always been funded, but not women's. When Title IX was passed in 1972, it was a glorious day for women athletes! Opportunities for championships and even scholarships! Never did I think that the day would come when we would have to fight for the right to exclude men from competing in our sports. Sadly, we are at that point now.

I was at the same state powerlifting competition where Beth was competing in February, 2018, and saw the chaos that was exhibited by the supporters of a local transgender woman, Jaycee Cooper. If they wanted to gain supporters by their exhibition, they were sorely disappointed. I walked away from there wondering how this craziness could be stopped. Beth rose to the challenge and on behalf of women athletes everywhere, started Save Women's Sports.

Biological men do not belong in women's sports. They have larger hearts and lungs, more oxygenated blood, more fast-twitch muscle fiber, greater upper body muscle mass, greater lower body muscle mass, greater bone density, bigger hands, bigger joints. Those advantages don't go away with drugs. Even if a man takes estrogen and testosterone suppressants, the required level of testosterone for a transwoman for women's sporting events is still two to three times the average level of a biological woman.

For a good reference, check out the site [boysvswomen.com](http://boysvswomen.com). It pits the records of male high school athletes in 2016 against those of female Olympians. In summary, it says that "none of the women's finals performances met the qualifying time to enter the boys' competition." Even Olympians can't compete with biological high school boys!

This is not about exclusion, this is about biology and fairness. Fairness to women who have worked their butts off to excel in their sport! Surely some of you have wives, daughters, or granddaughters who compete in sports. Suppose your daughter worked very hard to excel in her sport, only to arrive at a competition and learn that she will be competing against a biological male. Why bother? She knows she's not going to win. It might even mean not getting a scholarship or competing in the Olympics! How is that fair? There's also the danger of competing against someone much larger. There's a transgender soccer player in Australia who's 6' 2" and 220 lbs. How would you like that person to fall on your petite daughter? There's also a transgender mixed martial arts person who broke his female opponent's skull and caused her to have a concussion.

That one match ended her career. The woman said she had never, ever, felt so overpowered. Do you feel it's fair to send a biological woman up against that?

The transgender athlete community is very, very small. Why would we allow a tiny minority of people to completely change women's sports? What about biological women? Why should we get kicked to the curb because a transgender woman thinks they have the right to take our place?

Think about this: we don't hear **ANYTHING** from transgender male athletes wanting to compete in men's sports. That's pretty easy to figure out. They know they would not have a scintilla of a chance in competing against men. As biological females, even with testosterone they will never have the innate physical advantages that males are born with.

Frankly, I don't care if people are trans. It's their lives, not mine. I do strongly object to them competing in my sports. I mentioned that I compete in powerlifting at the age of 75. Let me tell you, any transwoman my age could pick up the piddly weights that I struggle to lift and twirl them around like a high school baton twirler. I would not have a chance of a fair competition. I would feel defeated before I even got there.

To allow transwomen to compete with biological women in sports will be the death of Title IX. We won't have men's sports and women's sports, we'll have men's sports and co-ed sports. Women's sports will be, once again, nonexistent.

To quote Kara Dansky of Women's Liberation Front, "only men could oppress women for thousands of years, then turn around, put on a dress, and complain that they are the most marginalized group in society."

**Please** don't allow this to happen. Transgender women do NOT belong in women's sports! Thank you.