

**College Investigation without Reporting Party Consent**

The College may select to move forward with an investigation if the complaint involves a pattern of behavior or systemic issue. Tompkins Cortland Community College will consider many factors to determine whether to proceed despite a request for no investigation from the reporting party.

These factors include, but are not limited to:

- Whether the accused has a history of violent behavior or is a repeat offender;
- Whether the incident represents escalation, such as a situation that previously involved sustained stalking, and increased risk that the accused will commit additional acts of violence;
- Whether the accused used a weapon or force;
- Whether the reporting individual is a minor; and
- Whether we possess other means to obtain evidence such as security footage, and whether the report reveals a pattern of perpetration at a given location or by a particular group.

The Title IX Coordinators will consider the need to move forward with the investigation. They may include other relevant staff members as needed.

Factor	Score – 0 or 1	Note evidence or comment
The accused has a history of violent behavior or is a repeat offender.		
The incident represents escalation and increased risk that the accused will commit additional acts of violence.		
The accused used a weapon or force.		
The reporting individual is a minor or a member of a vulnerable population.		
Additional evidence reveals a pattern of perpetration.		
TOTAL:		*A score of 1 or more may indicate the need to proceed with the investigation at the discretion of the Coordinators.