



National Workgroup to Address the Needs of Children and Youth Who Are LGBTQI2-S and Their Families

~Affirming LGBTQI2-S youth and families through full inclusion~

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State News

Guidance to School Districts for Creating a Safe and Supportive School Environment For Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Students

The New York State Education Department has released a new set of guidelines to accommodate and protect transgender and gender-nonconforming students across the state. Access them [here](#).

Resolution

Resolution on Gender and Sexual Orientation Diversity in Children and Adolescents in Schools

This joint resolution adopted by the American Psychological Association and the National Association of School Psychologists addresses gender and sexual orientation diversity in schools. Access it [here](#). See the resources that follow for guidance on implementing this resolution.

Resource Series

Promoting Resiliency for Gender Diverse and Sexual Minority Students in Schools

This series sets out best practices for educators, school counselors, administrators and personnel, based on the latest research on the needs of LGBT, gender diverse, questioning and intersex students. The series is intended to support schools with implementing the Resolution on Gender and Sexual Orientation Diversity in Children and Adolescents in

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| | <p>Schools (referenced above). This series includes the following pamphlets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How educators can support families with gender diverse and sexual minority youth. • Supporting transgender and gender diverse students in schools: Key recommendations for school health personnel. • Supporting transgender and gender diverse students in schools: Key recommendations for school administrators. • School-based risk and protective factors for gender diverse and sexual minority children and youth: Improving school climate. • Key terms and concepts in understanding gender diversity and sexual orientation among students. <p>Access these resources here.</p> |
| Resource | <p>Schools In Transition: A Guide for Supporting Transgender Students in K-12 Schools</p> <p>This just-released publication is for district/school administrators, teachers, and parents, focusing on how to provide safe and supportive school environments for transgender students. Access it here.</p> |
| Resource | <p>Gender Spectrum Back-to-School Toolkit</p> <p>This toolkit for schools can establish a gender inclusive foundation as the school year begins. The materials in the toolkit are designed to help ensure every student's gender is recognized and accepted. Based on Gender Spectrum's Framework for Gender Inclusive Schools, this new resource includes posters, forms, and other tools for creating a climate welcoming all students regardless of their gender identity or gender expression. Access it here.</p> |
| Report | <p>From Statehouse to Schoolhouse: Anti-Bullying Policy Efforts in U.S. States and School Districts</p> <p>This report examines the anti-bullying policies of all 13,181 school districts across the country. It reviews the prevalence of anti-bullying policies in all U.S. school districts and whether state laws and guidance are being implemented at the district level. Access the report and an archived webinar about it online.</p> |
| Event | <p>Forty to None Summit on LGBT Youth Homelessness</p> <p>The True Colors Fund invites you to attend its second annual Forty to None Summit, a national gathering on LGBT youth homelessness. The Summit will be in Houston, Texas, on September 24 and 25, 2015. Read more about it here.</p> |

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