

HOW DOES YOUR SCHOOL MEASURE UP?

The following questions will help you measure how effectively your school supports transgender youth. If you are not sure of the answers, check with teachers, your principal or your school board. If your school doesn't measure up, you may wish to contact Lambda Legal, NYAC or one of the other organizations listed in Resources on page 26.



Has your school published guidelines to promote the respectful treatment of transgender students?

Are gender identity and expression included in your school's nondiscrimination policy?

Do faculty and staff members respect and honor students' gender identity and expression?

Are teachers, counselors and staff trained on transgender issues?

Does your school hold assemblies and/or invite guest speakers to discuss transgender issues?

If there is a school dress code, does it respect gender identity?

Do school records, identification cards, class rosters and transcripts reflect transgender students' gender identity and preferred name?

Do counselors provide helpful resources and referrals?

Are students allowed to express their gender at events like school dances, field trips and graduation?

Do students experience prejudice or intimidation due to their gender identity?

Do students know what to do and who to talk to if they're intimidated, threatened or harassed because of their gender identity or expression?

Are restroom facilities safe and accessible for transgender students?