



REDUCING BARRIERS TO EDUCATION FOR LGBTQ/GNC YOUTH

THE RIGHTS OF LGBTQ/GNC STUDENTS

Lesbian, gay, bisexual, pansexual, transgender, queer, questioning, and gender-nonconforming (LGBTQ/GNC) youth are disproportionately likely to experience discrimination and harassment in school. They are also more likely to be disciplined in school, sometimes just for expressing who they are.

However, students have the right to be open about their sexual orientation and gender identity and the right to be free from discrimination and harassment.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Education Law Center (ELC) has a new project to protect the rights of LGBTQ/GNC students in Pennsylvania. If you:

- Are a LGBTQ/GNC young person who would like to get help with an issue you are having at school or would like to talk about experiences you have had in school
- Would like a training on the rights of LGBTQ/GNC students in schools
- Want to share the experiences of LGBTQ/GNC students your organization has worked with or want to get help for your LGBTQ/GNC client

Contact Lizzy Wingfield, Stoneleigh Foundation Emerging Leader Fellow, at 215-346-6904 or lwingfield@elc-pa.org.

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