

Safe Schools Project, Santa Cruz County

LGBTQ+ Support Statement, Response to Resistant Voices

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Purpose: To have a common statement that any district administrator, school administrator, teacher or staff member can state when anyone questions why we are doing an LGBTQ event, teaching LGBTQ history, inclusive sex ed, including LGBTQ literature in our schools, etc.

Common Statement:

The research is clear: when students feel safe, supported and included in school, their learning increases, their engagement increases, and more students graduate from high school who are college and career ready. We want all of our students to feel safe, supported and included.

Our policies and procedures are aligned with California Education Code, federal and state laws, standards and frameworks in support of our LGBTQ+ students and their families, just as all of our policies and procedures support a positive school and learning climate for all students and their families.

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