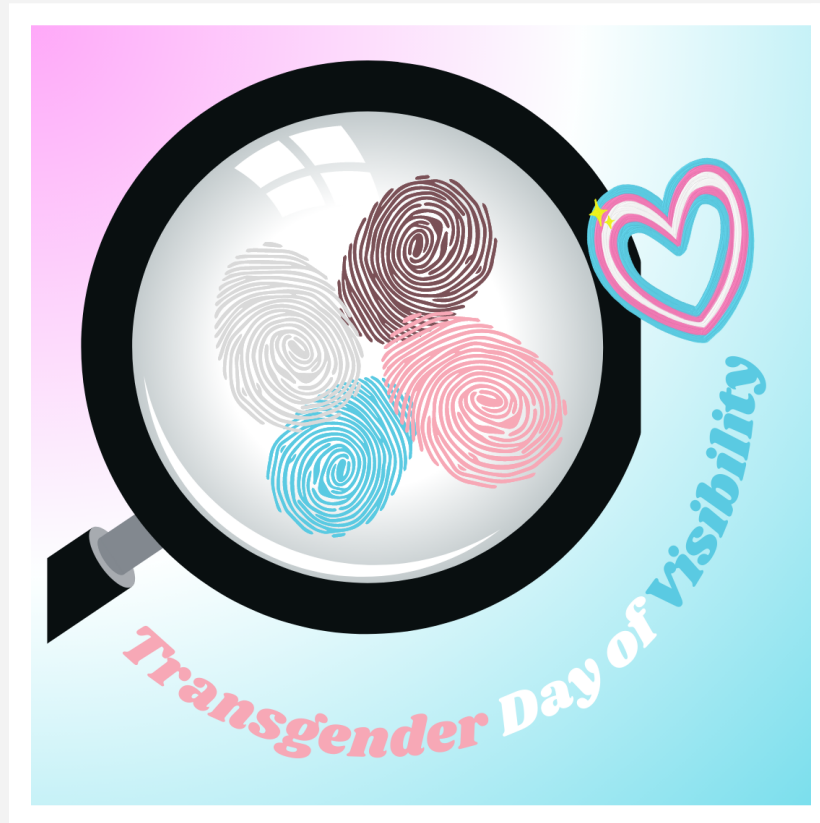


Transgender Day of Visibility Resources



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To support the acknowledgement and celebration of International Transgender Day of Visibility on March 31st and beyond, please consider the following resources:

- [Egale Human Rights Trust Canada Resources for 2SLGBTQIA+ & Allies](#)
- [Egale - Inclusive & Affirming Language](#)

PDSB Memo:

"March 31st is the International Transgender Day of Visibility. Created by trans advocate Rachel Crandall, it is a day to celebrate the lives and contributions of trans, two-spirit and non-binary people while empowering trans individuals to live their lives authentically without discrimination.

The word, "transgender" is an umbrella term for people whose gender is different from their assigned sex at birth. When using the term, 'transgender' or 'trans', note that language matters and the term is an adjective (e.g., they are a trans athlete or a transgender person) and not a noun or a verb (e.g., he is a trans or he is transgendered).

The transgender community is diverse. Some trans people identify as trans men, or trans women, while others may describe themselves as non-binary, genderqueer, agender, bigender or other

Handout

- [Tyler Ford Explains The History Behind the Word "Queer" | InQueery | them](#)
- [4 Canadian Transgender Activists You Should Know](#)
- [519 Glossary of Terms](#)

identities that reflect their personal experience. The International Transgender Day of Visibility is also a time to raise awareness of the issues and discrimination faced by the trans community (e.g., poverty, harassment, violence, access to healthcare, etc.).

Most recently, some states have introduced and/or passed anti-2SLGBTQ+ legislation that strips away rights of 2SLGBTQ+ individuals. More than half of these bills directly target transgender individuals such as receiving gender-affirming care.

These systemic injustice and discrimination continue to limit transgender individuals to receive the necessary care for survival and spread fear and hate for the trans community. For individuals who identify as Black and Brown trans women, systemic injustice and discrimination are compounded. Black and Brown trans women experience more violence and discrimination and are reported to live well below the poverty line.

On this day, you are presented with the opportunity to discuss and show allyship by educating yourself on transgender issues, including transgender voices in your teaching practices, challenging gender norms and standing in solidarity with the trans community to continue fighting for equality and acceptance.

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