## Hopelab x Born This Way Foundation Codebook

## **Demographic information**

# Q1\_age

# How old are you?

[14 = under 15]

Integers 15 to 24 for ages 15 to 24

25 = over 25

# Q2 lgbtq id

# Do you identify as a member of the LGBTQ+ community?

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 3 = Not sure

# Q3 raceeth

## How do you describe your race/ethnicity?

- 1 = African American / Black
- 2 = American Indian / Native American
- 3 = Asian American
- 4 = Latinx
- 5 = White
- 6 = Multiracial [IF multiracial = YES THEN DISPLAY 3a]
- 7 = Another identity, please specify [text box; **Q3** raceeth 7 TEXT]

# Q3a raceeth multi 1 - Q3a raceeth multi 99

# Which of the following categories would you use to describe your identity as multiracial? Select all that apply.

- Q3a raceeth multi 1 = African American / Black
- Q3a raceeth multi 2 = American Indian / Native American
- Q3a raceeth multi 3 = Asian American
- Q3a raceeth multi 4 = Latinx
- Q3a raceeth multi 5 = White
- Q3a raceeth multi 6 = Another identity, please specify [text box;

#### Q3a raceeth multi 6 TEXT]

Q3a raceeth multi 99 = Decline to answer

#### Q4 where born

#### Were you born outside of the US, a US territory, or a military base?

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 3 = Not sure
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q5 where cg born

Was at least one of the parents or caregivers who raised you born outside of the US, a US territory, or a US military base?

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- 3 = Not sure
- -99 = Decline to answer

## **Q6 SO freeresponse**

Sexual orientation is a person's emotional, romantic, and/or sexual attraction to another person. There are many ways a person can describe their sexual orientation and many labels a person can use. How would you describe your sexual orientation in your own words (e.g., gay, pansexual, asexual lesbian)?

## Q7 sexual id

Thank you for telling us about your sexual orientation in your own words. Sometimes, we have to create categories to make it easier to understand our findings, and we want to make sure you are represented in the best category. Which of these options best describes your sexual orientation? We understand that there are many different ways you may identify. Please pick the one that best describes you.

- 1 = Lesbian or gay
- 2 = Heterosexual (straight)
- 3 = Bisexual or pansexual
- 4 = Oueer
- 5 = Asexual
- 6 = I'm not sure about my sexual identity
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### **Q8** GI freeresponse

Gender identity is your inner sense of what gender you are. There are many ways a person can describe their gender identity and many labels a person can use. How would you describe your current gender identity in your own words (e.g., agender, woman, nonbinary)?

## Q9 gender

Thank you for telling us about your gender identity in your own words. Sometimes, we have to create categories to make it easier to present our findings, and we want to make sure you are represented in the best category. Which of the following terms best describes your current gender identity? We understand that there are many different ways you may identify. Please pick the one that best describes you.

- 1 = Girl or woman
- 2 = Boy or man
- 3 = Nonbinary, genderfluid, or genderqueer
- 4 = I am not sure or questioning
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q10 SAAB

What sex were you assigned at birth, on your original birth certificate?

- 1 = Male
- 2 = Female
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q11 trans id

Some people describe themselves as transgender when their sex at birth does not match the way they think or feel about their gender. Are you transgender?

- 1 = No, I am not transgender
- 2 =Yes, I am transgender
- 3 = I am not sure if I'm transgender
- -99 = Decline to answer

# Q12\_supportLGBTQ\_1 - Q12\_supportLGBTQ\_8

# In general, how supportive of LGBTQ+ people are:

Your parent(s)/caregiver(s)

The people you live with

Your extended family network

Your in-person friends

Your online friends

Your co-workers

People at your school

The broader community in which you live

## Response scale:

- 1 = Very supportive
- 2 = Supportive
- 3 = A little bit supportive
- 4 =Not at all supportive
- -98 = Not applicable/I don't have this person/these people in my life
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q13 mdspss 1-Q13 mdspss 5

[Multidimensional Scale of Perceived Social Support] We are interested in how you feel about the following statements. Read each statement carefully. Indicate how you feel about each statement.

My family really tries to help me when I need it.

I get the emotional help and support I need from my family.

My family is willing to help me make decisions.

I can talk about my problems with my family.

My family knows how to help me [additional item not part of MSPSS]

- 1 = Very strongly disagree
- 2 = Strongly disagree

- 3 = Mildly disagree
- 4 = Neutral
- 5 = Mildly agree
- 6 = Strongly agree
- 7 =Very strongly agree
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q14 religion impself

# How important is your religion/spirituality to you?

- 1 = Not at all important
- 2 = A little important
- 3 = Important
- 4 = Very important
- -98 = I don't know
- -99= Decline to answer

## Q15 religion impfam

# How important is religion/spirituality to your parents or caregivers?

- 1 = Not at all important
- 2 = A little important
- 3 = Important
- 4 = Very important
- -98 = I don't know
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q16 current student

# Are you currently enrolled in school or a college or university?

- 1 = No/not in school
- 2 =Yes full-time student
- 3 = Yes part-time student
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q16a nosch highest [if not in school]

# What is the last level of school you have completed?

- 1 = Middle school
- 2 = Some high school, but not currently enrolled
- 3 = Some high school, but not completed
- 4 = High school graduate
- 5 = Some college, but not currently enrolled
- 6 = Some college, but not completed
- 7 = Associate degree/Technical degree/AA/AS
- 8 = College graduate/Bachelor's degree/BA/BS
- 9 = Postgraduate courses
- 10 = Master's degree
- 11 = MBA or Law degree
- 12 = PhD or MD

#### -99 = Decline to answer

## Q16b yessch highest [if in school]

What is the highest level of school you have completed? If you are in between levels, please choose the level you have most recently completed.

- 1 = Sixth grade or lower
- 2 = Seventh grade
- 3 = Eighth grade
- 4 = 9th grade/Freshman year of high school
- 5 = 10th grade/Sophomore year of high school
- 6 = 11th grade/Junior year of high school
- 7 = 12th grade/Senior year of high school
- 8 = First year/Freshman year of college
- 9 = Second year/Sophomore year of college
- 10 = Third year/Junior year of college
- 11 = Fourth year/Senior year of college
- 12 = Fifth year of college
- 13 = Graduate school
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### O17 income

Considering your own income and the income from any other people who help you, how would you describe your overall personal financial situation?

- 1 = I have more than enough to live comfortably
- 2 = I have enough to live comfortably
- 3 = My needs are met with a little left
- 4 = I just meet basic expenses
- 5 = I struggle to meet basic expenses
- 6 = I don't meet basic expenses
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q18 where live

Please select which of the following best describes where you live. It's okay if you're not completely sure, just pick the one that feels most accurate to you.

- 1 = In a rural area (such as out in the country)
- 2 = In a small town
- 3 = In a small or medium-sized city
- 4 = Just outside a large city (such as in a suburb)
- 5 = In a large city
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q19 set

Thinking about people who you know in person, please respond to the following questions:

Q19a out SO offline

I am open (out) about my sexual orientation to:

- 1 = None of the people I know in person
- 2 = A few of the people I know in person
- 3 =Some of the people I know in person
- 4 = A lot of the people I know in person
- 5 = All or most of the people I know in person
- -99 = Decline to answer

# Q19b\_out\_GI\_offline

# [If identified as nonbinary or trangender] I am open (out) about my gender identity to:

- 1 = None of the people I know in person
- 2 = A few of the people I know in person
- 3 = Some of the people I know in person
- 4 = A lot of the people I know in person
- 5 = All or most of the people I know in person
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### O20 set

Thinking about people who you only know online. Please respond to the following questions:

## Q20a out SO online

# I am open (out) about my sexual orientation to:

- 1 = None of the people I know only online
- 2 = A few of the people I know only online
- 3 =Some of the people I know only online
- 4 = A lot of the people I know only online
- 5 = All or most of the people I know only online
- -98 Not applicable, I don't know anyone online
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q20b out GI online

# [If identified as nonbinary or trangender] I am open (out) about my gender identity to:

- 1 = None of the people I know only online
- 2 = A few of the people I know only online
- 3 = Some of the people I know only online
- 4 = A lot of the people I know only online
- 5 = All or most of the people I know only online
- -98 Not applicable, I don't know anyone online
- -99 = Decline to answer

## **Q21 LGBPIMS AdAff**

[From the Adapted Affirmation Subscale of the LGB-PIMS] Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statement:

I am comfortable with my LGBTQ+ identity.

- 1 = Strongly Disagree
- 2 = Disagree
- 3 =Somewhat disagree
- 4 = Neither agree nor disagree
- 5 =Somewhat agree
- 6 = Agree
- 7 =Strongly Agree
- -99 = Decline to answer

# Q22\_LGBTQ\_affpride

[From the Adapted LGBTQ+ Affective Pride Scale] Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements:

Q22\_LGBQTQ\_affpride\_1 I feel good about being a part of the LGBTQ+ community. Q22\_LGBTQ\_affpride\_2 I feel a sense of connection to the LGBTQ+ community when I'm online

## Response scale:

- 1 = Strongly disagree
- 2 = Somewhat disagree
- 3 = Neither agree nor disagree
- 4 =Somewhat agree
- 5 = Strongly agree
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q23 trans pride

[If transgender or nonbinary: From the Gender Minority Stress and Resilience Measure] Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements:

- **Q23\_trans\_pride\_1** I am proud to be a person whose gender identity is different from my sex assigned at birth.
- Q23\_trans\_pride\_2 I feel part of a community of people who share my gender identity. Q23\_trans\_pride\_3 I feel a sense of connection in online spaces with others who share my gender identity

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Strongly disagree
- 2 = Somewhat disagree
- 3 = Neither agree nor disagree
- 4 =Somewhat agree
- 5 = Strongly agree
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q24 demo import

Please indicate below how important the following identities are to who you are.

- Q24 demo import 1 My race/ethnicity
- Q24 demo import 2 My sexual orientation
- **Q24 demo import 3** My gender (for example, boy/man, girl/woman, nonbinary)
- **Q24\_demo\_import\_4** My gender identity (for example, cisgender, transgender and/or nonbinary)
- **Q24\_demo\_import\_5** My gender expression (how your gender is presented publicly to others such as by the way you dress or how you style your hair)
- **Q24\_demo\_import\_6** My neurodiverse identity (differences in the ways brains work, such as autism spectrum disorder or ADHD)

# Response scale:

- 1 = Not at all important to who I am
- 2 = A little important to who I am
- 3 = Important to who I am
- 4 = Very important to who I am
- -98 = Does not apply
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q25\_disability\_id

Do you identify as a person with a disability?

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- -99 = Decline to answer

Directions: In this part of the survey, you'll be asked to reflect on and answer questions about your experiences in online spaces, including about your online friendships and your online communities (e.g., social media-based groups, fandoms, or group chats), that is, the friends or communities with whom you mainly interact online.

# Q26\_first\_imp

When you were first exploring your sexuality or gender, how important were online communities or online friends to you?

Response scale:

- 1 = Not at all important
- 2 = A little important
- 3 = Important
- 4 = Very important
- -98 = Does not apply
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q27 on shareid imp 1-6

When it comes to online communities and online friendships, how important is it to you that the people in them share...

- Q27\_on\_shareid\_imp\_1 My race/ethnicity
- Q27 on shareid imp 2 My sexual orientation

- **Q27\_on\_shareid\_imp\_3** My gender (for example, boy/man, girl/woman, nonbinary)
- **Q27\_on\_shareid\_imp\_4** My gender identity (for example, cisgender, transgender and/or nonbinary
- **Q27\_on\_shareid\_imp\_5** My gender expression (how your gender is presented publically to others such as by the way you dress or how you style your hair)
- **Q27\_on\_shareid\_imp\_6** My neurodiverse identity (differences in the ways brains work, such as autism spectrum disorders or ADHD)

- 1 = Not at all important
- 2 = A little important
- 3 = Important
- 4 = Very important
- -98 = Does not apply
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q28 OnlineDiscScale 1-4

[for non-white respondents, from the Online Discrimination Scale] Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statements In the past year...

- **Q28\_OnlineDiscScale\_1** I have been treated poorly by others in online spaces because of my race/ethnicity.
- **Q28\_OnlineDiscScale\_2** I have been treated poorly by others in LGBTQ+ online spaces because of my race/ethnicity.
- **Q28\_OnlineDiscScale\_3** I have been treated poorly by others in online spaces related to my race/ethnicity because of my LGBTQ+ identity
- **Q28\_OnlineDiscScale\_4** I feel more comfortable in online spaces where people share my LGBTQ+ identity and my race/ethnicity

## Response scale:

- 1 = Strongly disagree
- 2 = Disagree
- 3 = Neither agree nor disagree
- 4 = Agree
- 5 = Strongly agree
- -98 = Does not apply
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q29 bully lgbt

Have you ever been teased, bullied, or harassed online because of your actual or perceived LGBTQ+ identity?

- 1 = No
- 2 = Yes
- -99 = Decline to answer

# Q29a\_bully\_lgbt\_freq. [if yes]

How often have you been teased, bullied, or harassed online in the past year because of your actual or perceived LGBTQ+ identity?

- 1 = Never
- 2 = Rarely
- 3 = Sometimes
- 4 = Often
- 5 =Very often
- -99 = Decline to answer

# Q30 connect on frie

How often have you interacted with online friends in the past year?

- 1 = Never [\*pathed out from online friendship questions]
- 2 = Only once or twice
- 3 = Monthly or less
- 4= Several times a month
- 5 =Several times a week
- 6 = Daily or more
- -99 = Decline to answer

# Q31\_num\_friends\_lgbt

# \*How many of these online friends are LGBTQ+?

- 1 = None
- 2 = Some
- 3 = Most or all
- 4 = I'm not sure
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q32\_connect\_on\_comm

In the past year, how often have you engaged in online communities in any way (e.g. visiting to read content, liking, commenting, posting) such as social media-based groups, fandoms, or group chats?

- 1 = Never [+pathed out from online communities questions]
- 2 = Only once or twice
- 3 = Monthly or less
- 4 =Several times a month
- 5 =Several times a week
- 6 = Daily or more
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q33 num comm lgbt

- +How many of these online communities are affirming of LGBTQ+ people
- 1 = None
- 2 = Some
- 3 = Most or all
- 4 = I'm not sure

-99 = Decline to answer

#### Q34 set

\*We'd love to know more about the role of online friendships in your life.

Q34a\_qual\_friend1. Please describe what positive benefits you have gotten from your online friendships.

Q34b qual friend2. Please tell us what's missing from your online friendships.

## Q35 set

+We'd love to know more about the role of online communities in your life.

Q35a\_qual\_comm1. Please describe what positive benefits you have gotten from your online communities.

Q35b qual comm2. Please tell us what's missing from your online communities.

## Q36 online unique

What support do you get from your online friends or online communities that you haven't been able to get in person?

# Q37online\_sup\_g\_freq

How often did you give support (such as listening to someone, encouraging someone, or helping someone) to your online friends or online communities in the past year?

- 1 = Never
- 2 = Only once or twice
- 3 = Monthly or less
- 4 =Several times a month
- 5 =Several times a week
- 6 = Daily or more
- -98 = Does not apply
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q38spprt friendscomm 1-10, plus Q38spprt friendscomm 10 TEXT

+\*In the past year, how often have you supported your <u>online friends AND/OR</u> <u>online communities</u> in the following ways?

- 1. I shared my own experiences or personal stories with them.
- 2. I connected with them over common interests (e.g., art, music, anime, gaming).
- 3. I affirmed their identity or other aspects of themselves.
- 4. I checked in with them to see how they were doing.
- 5. I encouraged them to share their thoughts, feelings, and experiences.
- 6. I tried to comfort them or cheer them up if they were feeling down.
- 7. I celebrated their accomplishments and successes.
- 8. I gave them advice.
- 9. I provided them with tangible support (e.g. donating money, sending them a gift, or other form of mutual aid)
- 10. I provided them with other types of support (please describe):

#### Response scale:

1 = Never

- 2 = Only once or twice
- 3 = Monthly or less
- 4 =Several times a month
- 5 =Several times a week
- 6 = Daily or more
- -98 = Does not apply
- -99 = Decline to answer

# Q39\_give\_supp\_feel\_1-11

When you provided support to your online friends or online communities in the past year, how did it make you feel?

**Empathic** 

Helpful

Compassionate

Loving

Sympathetic (to the other person)

Authentic

Proud

Connected or less alone

Kind

Upset

Dismissed

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Not at all
- 2 = A little
- 3 = Somewhat
- 4 = A lot
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q40 support ackno

+\*When you provide support for someone else online, how often is the support acknowledged (e.g., by others letting you know it was heard, liking the comment, thanking you, etc)?

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Never
- 2 = Rarely
- 3 = Sometimes
- 4 = Often
- 5 =Very often
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q41 spprt ackn imp

+\*When you have provided support for someone else online, how important is it to you that the support is acknowledged (e.g., by others letting you know it was heard, liking the comment, thanking you, etc.)?

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Not at all important
- 2 = A little important
- 3 = Important
- 4 = Very important
- -98 = Does not apply/I haven't provided support online
- -99 = Decline to answer

# Q42\_on\_sup\_r\_freq

How often did you receive support (such as someone listening to you, encouraging you, or helping you) from your online friends or online communities in the past year?

## Response scale:

- 1 = Never
- 2 =Only once or twice
- 3 = Monthly or less
- 4 =Several times a month
- 5 =Several times a week
- 6 = Daily or more
- -98 = Does not apply
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q43 online sup 2 1-12

[if received support] When you received support from your online friends or online communities in the past year, how did it make you feel?

Connected or less alone

Hopeful

Grateful or appreciative

Affirmed

Understood and validated

Safe or secure

Valued (like I matter)

Motivated

Loved

Brave

Upset

Misunderstood

- 1 = Not at all
- 2 = A little

3 = Somewhat

4 = A lot

-99 = Decline to answer

## Q44 online support 1-12

# +\*For the next statements, please answer about the friends and communities with whom you mainly interact online.

My online friends and communities really try to help me when I need it.

I can count on my online friends and communities when things go wrong.

I have online friends and communities with whom I can share my joys and sorrows.

I can talk about my problems with my online friends and communities.

My online friends and communities share my values.

My online friends and communities can relate to what I'm going through.

My online friends and communities affirm my identity or other aspects of myself.

My online friends and communities celebrate my accomplishments and successes.

My online friends and communities listen to me without judgment.

My online friends and communities give me useful advice.

My online friends and communities share common interests that are important to me (e.g. writing, anime, gaming, etc.).

My online friends and communities share their own experiences or stories with me.

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Very Strongly Disagree
- 2 = Strongly Disagree
- 3 = Mildly Disagree
- 4 = Neutral
- 5 = Mildly Agree
- 6 = Strongly Agree
- 7 = Very Strongly Agree
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q45 offline support 1-12

# For the next statements, please answer about the friends you mainly interact with in person.

My in-person friends really try to help me.

I can count on my in-person friends when things go wrong.

I have in-person friends with whom I can share my joys and sorrows.

I can talk about my problems with my in-person friends.

My in-person friends share my values.

My in-person friends can relate to what I'm going through.

My in-person friends affirm my identity or other aspects of myself

My in-person friends celebrate my accomplishments and successes.

My in-person friends listen to me without judgment.

My in-person friends give me useful advice.

My in-person friends share common interests that are important to me (e.g. writing, anime, gaming, etc.)

My in-person friends share their own experiences or stories with me.

- 1 = Very Strongly Disagree
- 2 = Strongly Disagree
- 3 = Mildly Disagree
- 4 = Neutral
- 5 = Mildly Agree
- 6 = Strongly Agree
- 7 = Very Strongly Agree
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q46 set

+\*How did you find your online friends or online communities? Please check all that apply.

**Q46\_commfri\_find\_1** Through a direct search or browsing for LGBTQ+-identity-related forums or topics (e.g. LGBTQ+ subreddits)

**Q46\_commfri\_find\_2** Through a direct search or browsing for online groups or content related to my interests (e.g. fandoms, gaming, writing groups, etc.)

**Q46\_commfri\_find\_3** Through an invitation to join a private online group (e.g. a Discord server)

Q46\_commfri\_find\_4 Through a friend I met in person

Q46 commfri find 5 Through a friend I met online

Q46\_commfri\_find\_6 Through a social media-based or online advertisement

**Q46\_commfri\_find\_7** Through content suggested or recommended on my social media feed

Q46 commfri find 8 Through a dating or friendship-finding app

Q46\_commfri\_find\_9 Something else

Q46\_commfri\_find\_98 Unsure or can't remember

Q46\_commfri\_find\_99 Decline to answer

# Response scale:

1 = Checked

## Q47 initial con lgbt

+\*When you initially connected to online communities or online friends were you actively seeking a place to explore or feel supported in your LGBTQ+ identity?

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Yes
- 2 = No
- -98 = Unsure or can't remember
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q48 how often connec

+\*How often do you connect with the online communities or online friends that are important to you as an LGBTQ+ young person?

- 1 = Daily or more
- 2 = Nearly every day
- 3= Several times a week
- 4 =Several times a month
- 5 = Monthly
- 6 = A few times a year or less
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q49 how long connec

+\*How long have you been connected to the online communities or online friends that are important to you as an LGBTQ+ young person? If you're part of multiple communities or friend groups, answer according to your longest relationship.

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Less than a month
- 2 = 1-6 months
- 3 = 6 months to a year
- 4 = 1-3 years
- 5 = 3-5 years
- 6 = 5-10 years
- 7 = More than 10 years
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q51 online close

+\*When thinking about your closest online and in-person friends, which of the following best describes you?

#### Response scale:

- 1 = I am closer to my online friends than my in-person friends
- 2 = I am just as close to my online friends as my in-person friends
- 3 = I am closer to my in-person friends than my online friends
- -99 = Decline to answer

In the next section, you'll answer some questions about your feelings and well-being. These questions are not specific to your LGBTQ+ identity but are about your experiences in general.

#### Q52 set

Over the <u>last 2 weeks</u>, how often have you been bothered by the following problems?

- **Q52 phq** 1 Little interest or pleasure in doing things
- Q52 phq 2 Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless
- Q52 gad 1 Feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge
- Q52 gad 2 Not being able to stop or control worrying

- 0 = Not at all
- 1 = Several days
- 2 = More than half the days
- 3 =Nearly every day
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q53 UCLA

[UCLA 3-item Loneliness Scale] Please indicate how often each of the statements below is descriptive of you.

- Q53 ucla lone 1 How often do you feel that you lack companionship?
- Q53 ucla lone 2 How often do you feel left out?
- Q53 ucla lone 3 How often do you feel isolated from others?

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Hardly Ever
- 2 =Some of the Time
- 3 = Often
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q53 Flourish

[Flouring Scale] Below are 8 statements with which you may agree or disagree. Indicate your agreement with each item.

- Q54\_flourish\_1 I lead a purposeful and meaningful life
- Q54 flourish 2 My social relationships are supportive and rewarding
- Q54\_flourish\_3 I am engaged and interested in my daily activities
- Q54 flourish 4 I actively contribute to the happiness and well-being of others
- Q54\_flourish\_5 I am competent and capable in the activities that are important to me
- Q54 flourish 6 I am a good person and live a good life
- Q54 flourish 7 I am optimistic about my future
- Q54 flourish 8 People respect me

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Strongly disagree
- 2 = Disagree
- 3 = Slightly disagree
- 4 = Neither agree nor disagree
- 5 = Slightly agree
- 6 = Agree
- 7 = Strongly agree
- -99 = Decline to answer

Section Intro: You're almost done with the survey! In the last section of the survey, you'll answer some questions about your opinions of and experiences in **online spaces as an LGBTQ+young person.** 

## Q55 rand1 safe

[Randomized to half: Open-ended] What are some of the ways you decide whether an online community or space is safe for LGBTQ+ young people?

## Q56 rand1 kind

[Randomized to half: Open-ended] What is an example of a way you saw or experienced kindness online related to LGBTQ+ identities?

## Q57 onlinesafe

When it comes to feeling/staying safe in online spaces, how important is it to you that a platform is/has:

Q57\_online\_safe\_1 Anonymous (i.e. no one can link my posts to my identity)

Q57 online safe 2 Private (i.e. requires an invitation to join)

**Q57\_online\_safe\_3** Formally moderated (i.e. someone is actively monitoring and removing inappropriate or hateful content)

Q57 online safe 4 A reputation for being LGBTQ+ friendly

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Not at all important
- 2 = A little important
- 3 = Important
- 4 = Very important
- -99 = Decline to answer

# Q58 on off safe

In general, how safe do you feel in these places when expressing your LGBTQ+identity?

Q58\_on\_off\_safe\_1 Online spaces Q58 on off safe 2 In-person spaces

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Very unsafe
- 2 =Somewhat unsafe
- 3 =Somewhat safe
- 4 = Very safe
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q59 on off support

In general, how supported do you feel in these spaces, with regard to your LGBTQ+identity?

Q59\_on\_off\_support\_1 Online spaces

Q59\_on\_off\_support\_2 In-person spaces

- 1 = Not supported at all
- 2 =Somewhat not supported
- 3 =Somewhat supported

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4 = Very supported
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-99 = Decline to answer

#### Q60 on off kind

In general, how kind are people to you in these spaces, with regard to your LGBTQ+ identity?

Q60 on off kind 1 Online spaces

Q60 on off kind 2 In-person spaces

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Very kind
- 2 = Somewhat kind
- 3 =Somewhat unkind
- 4 = Very unkind
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q61 online neg rum

When you see something online that is hateful toward yourself or an identity group you are a member of (e.g., in terms of gender identity, sexual orientation, race, etc.), to what degree do you find yourself continuing to think about that thing later in the day?

## Response scale:

- 1 = Not at all
- 2 = A little
- 3 = Quite a bit
- 4 = A lot
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q62 online pos rum

When you see something online that is positive toward yourself or an identity group you are a member of (e.g., in terms of gender identity, sexual orientation, race, etc.), to what degree do you find yourself happily remembering that thing later in the day?

#### Response scale:

- 1 = Not at all
- 2 = A little
- 3 = Quite a bit
- 4 = A lot
- -99 = Decline to answer

#### Q63 concern statefed

How concerned are you that your state or the federal government might limit online access to LGBTQ+-affirming online communities and content?

- 1 = Not at all concerned
- 2 = A little concerned
- 3 = Concerned
- 4 = Very concerned
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q64 honesty

How many questions in this survey did you answer honestly?

- 1 = Hardly any
- 2 = Only some of them
- 3 = Almost all of them
- 4 = All of them
- -99 = Decline to answer

## Q65 hardeasy

How hard or easy was it for you to answer questions that compare online friends and in-person friends?

- 1 = Easy
- 2 = A little Hard
- 3 = Hard

## **Q66** changeonething

If you could change one thing about online communities to make them more supportive places for LGBTQ+ young people, what would you change and why?

# Q67 magicwand

If you had a magic wand and could create an online community that best supported your well-being as an LGBTQ+ young person, what would that community need to have?