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FAMILIES RESOURCE LIST

As we celebrate Rainbow Families this month, we've partnered with some great community organizations that are here to help you! Click on the titles below to find information on youth support, LGBTQ+ education, ways to be an ally, and inclusive and engaging story options for your little ones.

LOCAL YOUTH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

The Alliance for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning Youth (GLBTQ) coordinates a full range of quality services through partnerships with many Miami-Dade County service organizations. They serve youth, families and their communities while advocating for equal rights and status of all youth regardless of their real or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity/expression.

SunServe recognizes that the entire LGBTQ community has the right to quality care. Their mission is to provide critical life assistance and professional mental health services with an emphasis on economically disadvantaged, marginalized youth, adults and seniors in the greater South Florida metropolitan area.

Pridelines supports, educates and empowers South Florida's lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) youth and community in safe and diverse spaces to promote dialogue, wellness, and to foster social change.

EDUCATION AND SCHOOLS

GLSEN works to ensure that LGBTQ students are able to learn and grow in a school environment free from bullying and harassment. Their research, webinars and advocacy are focused on four supports:

1. Activating supportive educators, who are crucial to creating LGBTQ-inclusive classroom environments
2. Advocating for inclusive & affirming curriculum, which not only offers support to LGBTQ students but raises the awareness of all students
3. Passing and implementing policies to ensure that LGBTQ students can learn and thrive in safe, inclusive, accepting schools
4. Supporting student-led clubs and GSAs, because student leaders are integral to creating community and pushing for change





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Welcoming Schools is the nation's premier professional development program providing training and resources to elementary school educators to embrace all families, create LGBTQ and gender inclusive schools, prevent bias-based bullying, and support transgender and non-binary students.

The **ACLU of Florida** believes that schools are not constitutional dead zones, and yet students are often subjected to unreasonable searches, restrictions on their First Amendment rights, discrimination, and harassment.

The **Safe Zone Project** is a free online resource providing curricula, activities, and other resources for educators facilitating Safe Zone trainings (sexuality, gender, and LGBTQ+ education sessions) and learners who are hoping to explore these concepts on their own.

INCLUSIVE STORY TIME

Drag Queen Story Hour (DQSH) captures the imagination and play of the gender fluidity of childhood and gives kids glamorous, positive, and unabashedly queer role models. In spaces like this, kids are able to see people who defy rigid gender restrictions and imagine a world where people can present as they wish, where dress up is real.

Welcoming Schools

Top Diverse Picture Books for a Welcoming School
Gender and LGBTQ Inclusive

YES Institute has created a book resource list that can be used in Pre-K through Elementary classrooms to begin these discussions in an age-appropriate way and have students reflect on their own experiences around the topics of bullying, gender, stereotypes, and families.

Miami Children's Museum Literacy Shopping List



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ALLYHOOD

Human Rights Campaign

Top Five ways to promote ally behavior in students.

The Alliance for GLBTQ

What is an ally? What is privilege? How can you be an ally?

GLSEN's

Ally Week is a student-led program where LGBTQ K-12 students and LGBTQ educators lead the conversation on what they need from their allies in school.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

<http://safeschoolssouthflorida.org/awareness-activities/>

<https://www.glsen.org/sites/default/files/2019-11/GLSEN%20English%20SafeSpace%20Book%20Text%20Updated%202019.pdf>

<https://yesinstitute.org/>



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