

Transgender Activism's Assault on Children & Schools

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“Northern Virginia and California have served as laboratories for policies regarding lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues.”

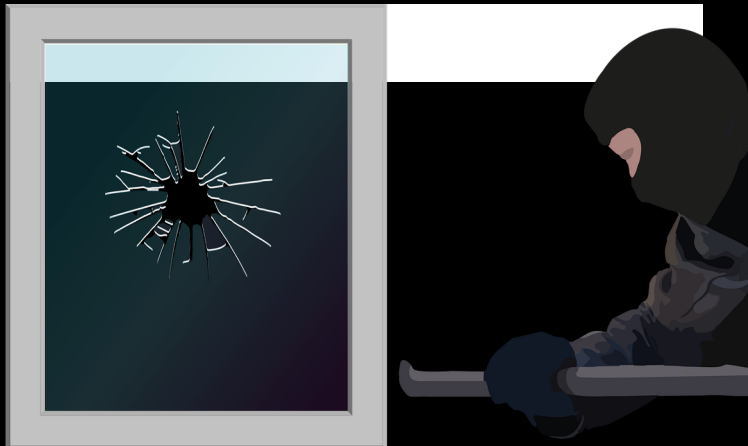
--David Aponte, co-chair of the advocacy group GLSEN (Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network) of Northern Virginia

https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/education/in-fairfax-a-lesson-on-why-words-matter-especially-in-sexual-health-class/2018/06/23/bc705114-6ef6-11e8-afd5-778aca903bbe_story.html

ENTRY POINTS

Entry Points

When focusing on the intentional development of gender inclusive school settings, it is helpful to think in terms of four discrete approaches, or entry points: **internal**, **interpersonal**, **instructional**, and **institutional**. Through deliberate work in each of these areas, gender inclusive practices can be woven into the fabric of the institution.



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Internal Entry Points

Focuses on educators' own knowledge and experience of gender. Work in this area involves reflecting about how each person's understandings and beliefs about gender impact the work they do with students and applying the lens of gender to their professional practices. **This entry point is crucial for the other approaches to be effectively implemented;** this foundation of gender literacy should be solidly in place before schools move to the other entry points.



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Interpersonal Entry Points

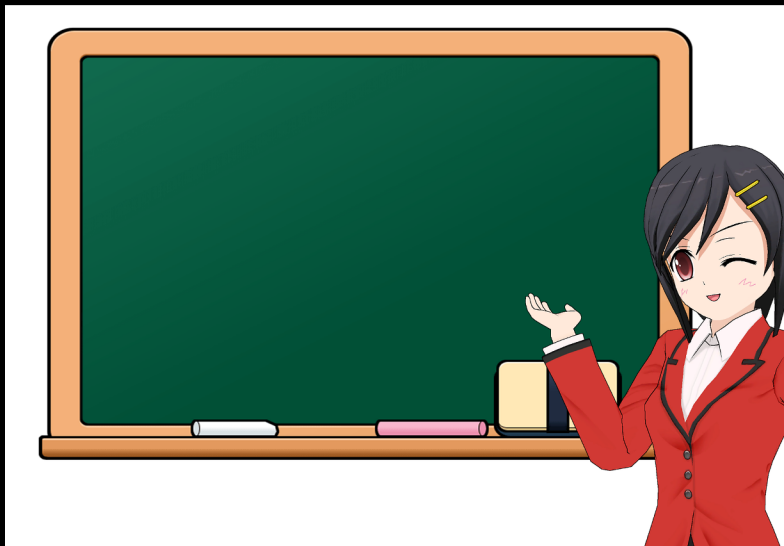
Interactions, intentional behaviors, and communications that reinforce the school's commitment to gender inclusion for all. They are designed to interrupt simplistic notions about gender by providing a "counter narrative" to many of the binary assumptions being made about it:



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Instructional Entry Points

Specific ways in which teaching and learning are used to instill greater awareness and understanding about gender. Whether standing alone or integrated into other aspects of instruction, **these approaches are the most direct way to impact students:** literature, arts, counseling, media, current events, history, guest speakers, videos, math (e.g., transgender people in story problems).

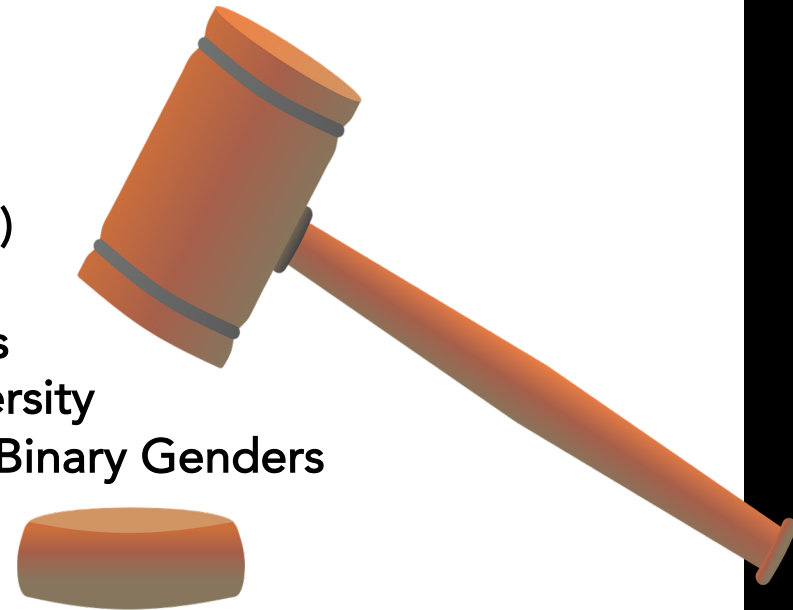


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Institutional Entry Points

Structural steps that create a foundation for gender inclusive practices to take hold. Work in this area demonstrates to your community that the school/organization recognizes and honors gender diversity and actively works to reflect a more complex understanding about gender.

- **Policy & Regulations**
- **Systematic Staff Training**
- **Student Information Systems**
- **Staff "Leads" (Compliance Officers)**
- **Restroom & Changing Areas**
- **Literature in Libraries & Classrooms**
- **Images "Celebrating" Gender Diversity**
- **Procedures/Forms Reflecting Non-Binary Genders**



“Their parental right[s] ended when [their] children were enrolled in public school.”

– C. Scott Miller, 5th grade public school teacher

Irreversible Damage: The Transgender Craze Seducing Our Daughters (Abigail Shrier)

“Talk about transgender. Talk about gender diversity. Talk about your transgender uncle. This needs to just be part of our daily conversation. That’s what they need. And they need... their parents to call the school and say, ‘Thank you.’ ... Yes [public schools] serve the community, but in some places, we have to lead the community.”

– Dr. Judy Chiasson, program coordinator for

human relations, diversity, and equity; Los Angeles Unified School District

Irreversible Damage: The Transgender Craze Seducing Our Daughters (Abigail Shrier)

“I would be happy — delighted, overjoyed I tell you — to cause ... children to disagree with their families on the subject of LGBTQ people.”

– S. Bear Bergman, Huffington Post, March 7, 2015

I Come to Indoctrinate Your Children Into My LGBTQ Agenda (And I’m Not a Bit Sorry)

Kids Need Help:

Schools Teach Trans Ideology as Fact Across Curriculum (K-12)

Social Media Influencers Groom Children

Peer-Led Sex Ed Utilizes Peer Pressure

Libraries Stock & Promote Trans Books for All Ages & Host Drag Queen Story Hours for Toddlers

Teachers Assign Trans Novels & Put Them on Classroom Shelves

Cosmetic Surgeons & Drug Companies Advertise Directly to Children (TikTok, Snapchat, etc.)

Parents Are Vilified as Abusers

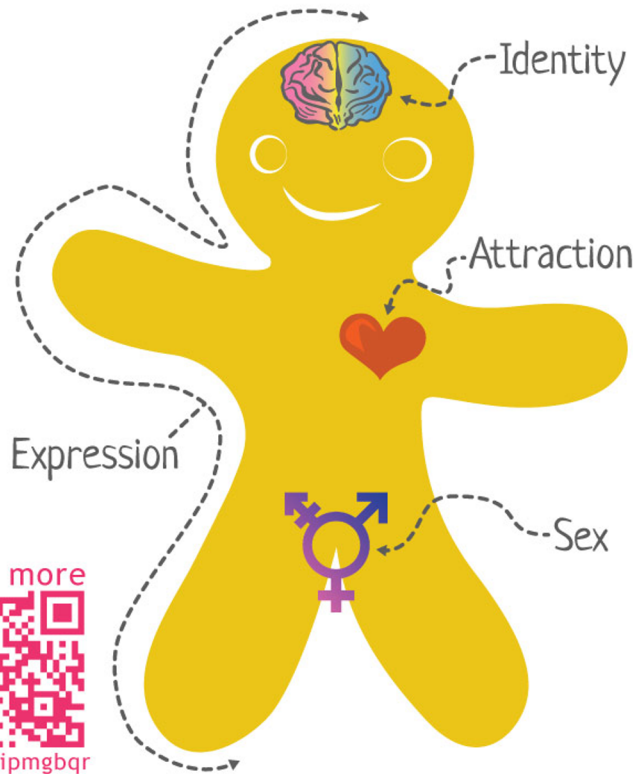
The Entertainment Industry Churns Out Trans-Narrative Content (*Blue's Clues*)

Universities Hold Bias Boards & Push Gender Ideology Across Campus



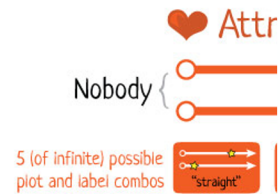
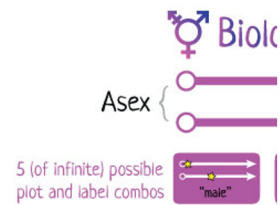
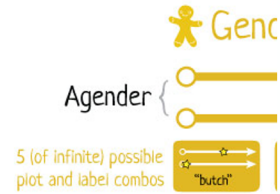
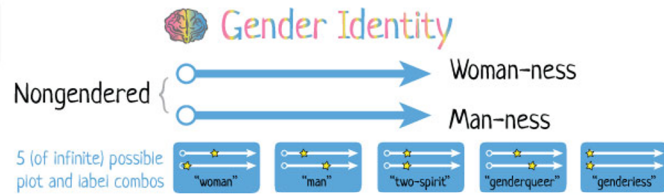
The Genderbread Person v2.0 by its pronounced METROsexual.com

Gender is one of those things everyone thinks they understand, but most people don't. Like *Inception*. Gender isn't binary. It's not either/or. In many cases it's both/and. A bit of this, a dash of that. This tasty little guide is meant to be an appetizer for understanding. It's okay if you're hungry for more.



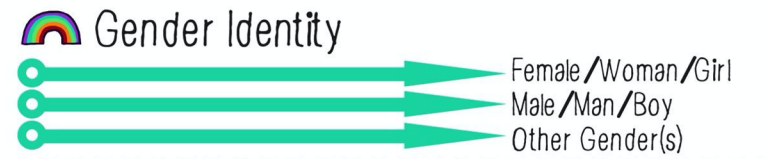
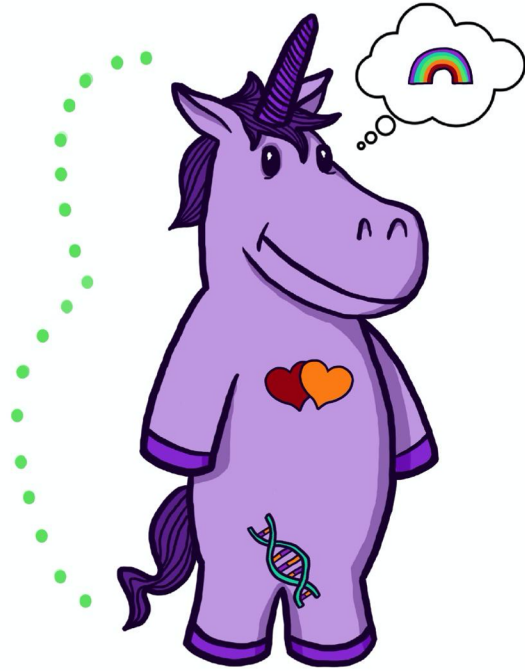
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The Gender Unicorn

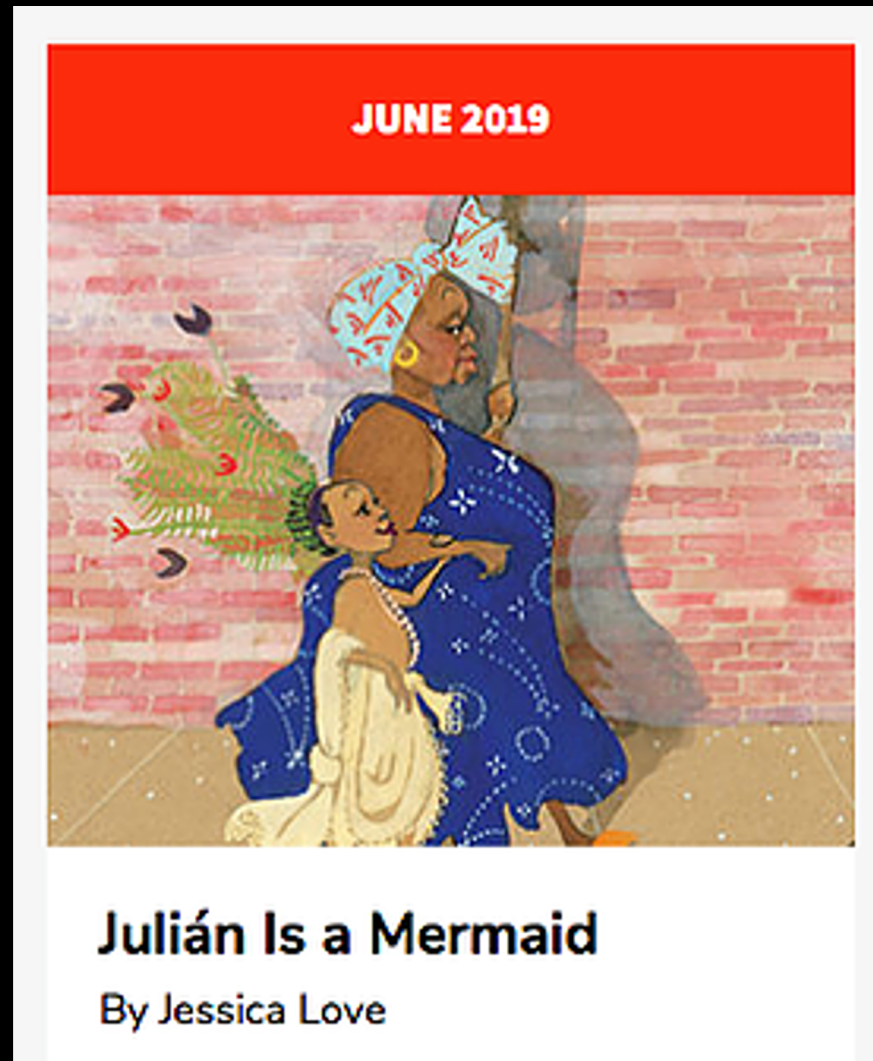
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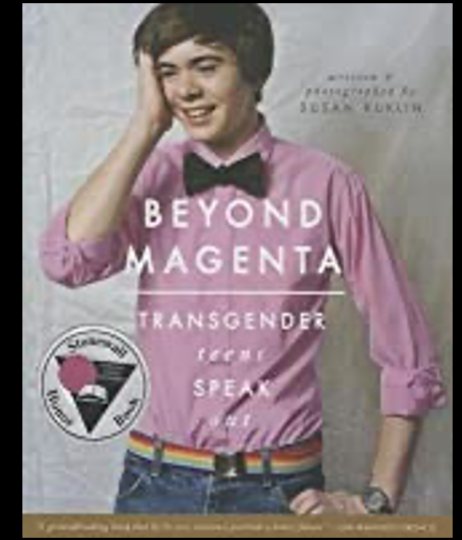
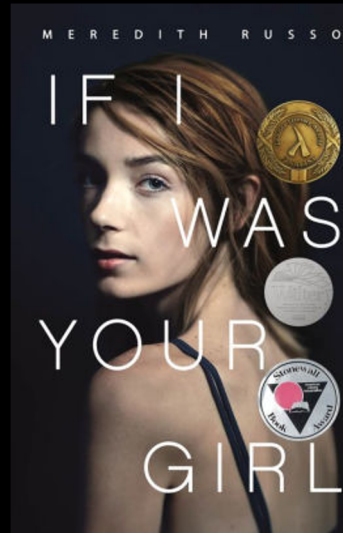
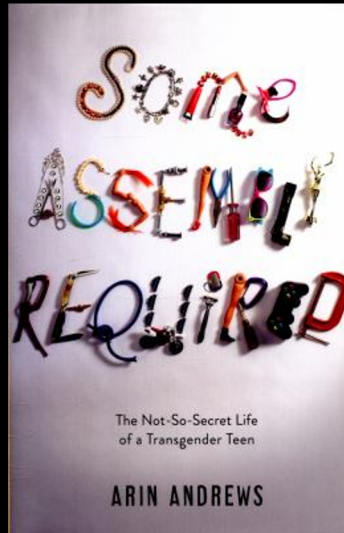
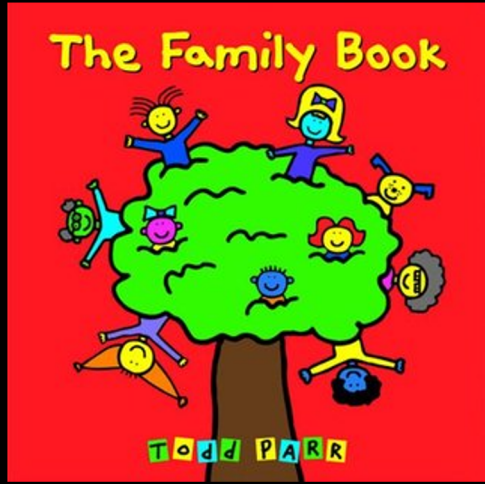
To learn more, go to:
www.transstudent.org/gender

Design by Landyn Pan and Anna Moore

The NEA's Suggested Book for Read Across America, June 2019



Other Books You'll Find in Classrooms





WELCOMING SCHOOLS

Professional Development and Resources:

- Welcome Diverse Families
- Create LGBTQ and Gender Inclusive Schools
- Prevent Bias Based Bullying
- Support Transgender and Non-Binary Students



JAZZ & FRIENDS

National Day of School and Community Readings



NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION



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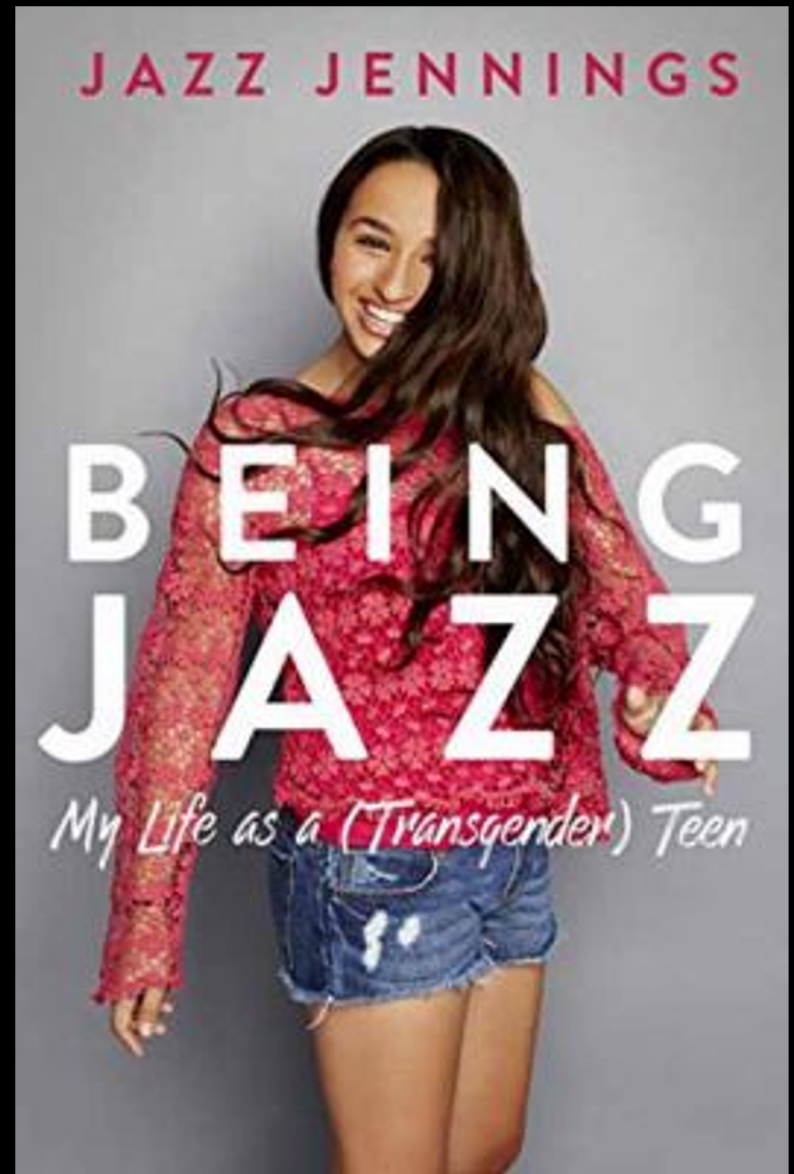
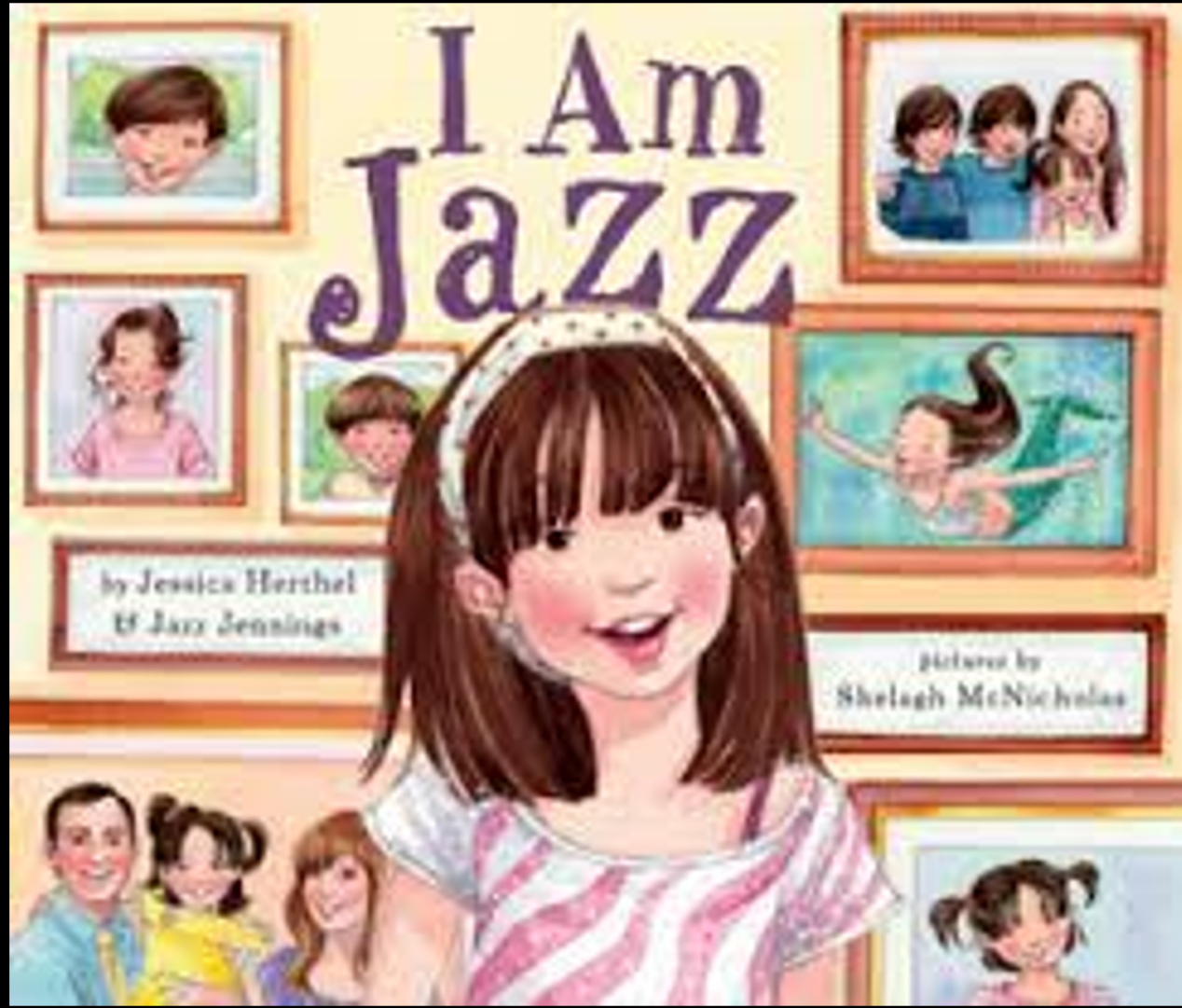
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MODEL SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY ON TRANSGENDER AND GENDER NONCONFORMING STUDENTS

REVISED SEPTEMBER 2018

Model Language,
Commentary, & Resources

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Privacy/Confidentiality

The District shall ensure that all personally identifiable and medical information relating to transgender and gender nonconforming students shall be kept confidential in accordance with applicable state, local, and federal privacy laws. School staff shall not disclose any information that may reveal a student's transgender status to others, including parents or guardians and other school staff, unless legally required to do so or unless the student has authorized such disclosure. In the rare instance that a school is legally required to disclose a student's transgender status, the school should provide the student an opportunity to make that disclosure themselves, where practicable. This would include providing the student with any support services the student would need to make the disclosure in a safe and supportive environment.

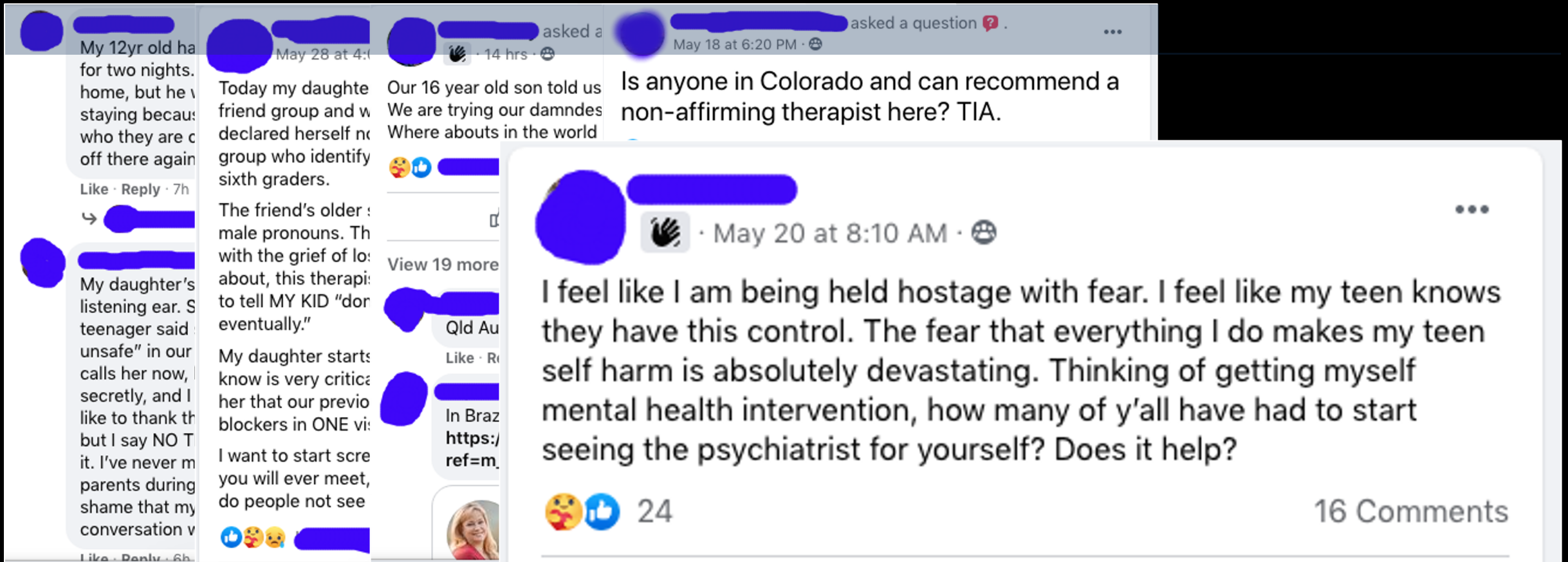
Schools can play an important role in providing a place of acceptance for transgender and gender nonconforming students. School may be the only safe space where a student feels comfortable fully expressing their gender. Therefore it is critical that parental/guardian approval is never a prerequisite for respecting a student's gender identity including their chosen name and pronouns. Additionally, schools may be in a position to provide additional services, such as counseling, peer support through a school GSA, and referral to outside resources, to help a student cope with family rejection.

Research and Reports

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Screenshots from a Facebook Group for Parents of Trans-Identified Kids

- Child's entire friend group is adopting trans ID
- Looking for a trustworthy therapist
- How has this happened out of the blue?
- I'm terrified and devastated
- Child is cutting/anorexic/suicidal
- Child ran away
- Child got hormones/surgery without my knowledge or permission

Betrayed by Blue's Clues





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Follow

To any trans kids out there who need or want support. Please @ me. I will answer all messages and work with you to get you the help you deserve. You deserve to be happy.

10:06 am - 13 Nov 2017

2,162 Retweets 5,589 Likes



87 2.2K 5.6K



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Follow

Further to my post regarding any trans kids who feel they have no one to talk to about how they feel. Please don't feel alone. If you ever need to talk. Drop me a msg on insta. It's easier to track than on here. Keep your heads up! You got a big sister here, always. X

1:55 PM - 14 Nov 2017

153 Retweets 675 Likes



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“Glitter Mom” Groomers



Youtube Influencers

**BECOME A QUEER
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We made a book!



Gender Therapists & Cosmetic Surgeons

ADVERTISE

to Children on
TikTok

Instagram

Snapchat

DeviantArt

Discord

Reddit...

This map documents how many clinics worldwide are giving dangerous puberty blockers and surgeries to minors

People love to tell us "This never happens" But it does.

There are 300 pediatric clinics in North America as of 2021

Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Australia, Canada: Gender clinics are a global problem.



Partners for Ethical Care

www.partnersforethicalcare.com

DESIST, DETRANS, & DETOX

Getting Your Child Out
of the Gender Cult



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Commonsense Care Video Series
For Parents of Transgender-Identified
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Always Erin

NO CHILD
IS BORN *in the*
WRONG BODY



Always
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Resources

- **Arlington Parent Coalition**
arlingtonparentcoalition.org
- **Commonsense Care Video Series**
<https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLPM5Sjop1VBspuUwXd4tgkg1UOPVDKzZi>
- **Gender Dysphoria Support Network**
genderdysphoriasupportnetwork.com
- **Inspired Teen Therapy**
Sasha Ayad, M.Ed., LPC
inspiredteentherapy.com
- **Parent Resource Guide**
mfc.org/request-the-parent-resource-guide
- **Parents of ROGD Kids**
parentsofrogdkids.com
- **Partners for Ethical Care**
partnersforethicalcare.com
- **Rethink Identity Medicine Ethics, Inc.**
rethinkime.org
- **Society for Evidence-Based Gender Medicine**
segm.org
- **Transgender Trend**
transgendertrend.com
- **Understanding Transgender Issues**
(Family Watch International)
familywatch.org/transgenderissues/
- *When Harry Became Sally: Responding to the Transgender Moment*, by Ryan Anderson
- *Irreversible Damage*, by Abigail Shrier
- *Desist, Detrans, & Detox: Getting Your Child Out of the Gender Cult*, by Maria Keffler
- *Free to Believe*, by Luke Goodrich