

RESOURCES TO HELP STOP BULLYING

The following organizations are all devoted to ending bullying.

The Trevor Project runs the Trevor Lifeline, a 24-hour national crisis and suicide prevention lifeline for gay and questioning teens. The number is 866.488.7386. You can learn more about The Trevor Project and other programs they offer at thetrevorproject.org.

The National Center for Bullying Prevention promotes awareness and teaches effective ways to respond to bullying. Learn more at Pacer.org/bullying.

STOMP Out Bullying is focused on reducing bullying and cyberbullying. Find out more at stompoutbullying.org.

The Matthew Shepard Foundation runs Matthew's Place, an online community and resource center for LGBTQ youth. The website is matthewsplace.com.

GLSEN is also a great organization that is working to eradicate bullying and bias in schools. Their website is glsen.org.

The Human Rights Campaign's Welcoming Schools Guide is an approach to addressing family diversity, gender stereotyping, and name-calling in K-5th grades. The guide helps administrators, educators, and parents or caring adults make sure that their elementary schools welcome all students and families. You can learn more at www.welcomingschools.org.

PFLAG and **GLSEN** have partnered with the Department of Civil Rights to create the Claim Your Rights program, to help everyone understand that they have the right to safer schools. This resource helps students, parents, and teachers report incidences of bullying, particularly when schools deny that bullying exists. Learn more about this vital resource at community.pflag.org/claimyourrights.

The GLBTQ Online High School is a safe place where you can get a complete high school education—and diploma—from anywhere you have internet access. While public schools still struggle with becoming accepting environments, the GLBTQ Online High School is a safe, affirming place for students wanting a high-quality education. Find out more at glbtqonlinehighschool.com.

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