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Welcome to our **#LGBTQIdentity** Twitter chat with **@WNETEducation**! We'll be discussing issues affecting LGBTQ+ youth.

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We're partnering w **@AmidaCareNY** to chat about our collection "Understanding LGBTQ+ Identity: A Toolkit for Teachers" Join us: **#LGBTQIdentity**

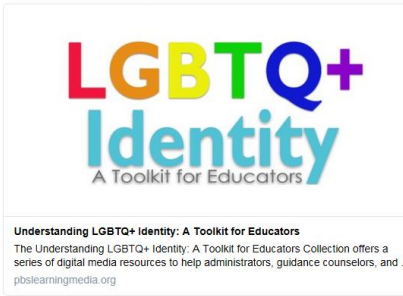
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"Understanding LGBTQ+ Identity: A Toolkit for Teachers" is a great resource from **@WNETEducation**: pbslearningmedia.org/collection/lgb... **#LGBTQIdentity**



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Q1: What are the biggest challenges facing LGBTQ+ youth? **#LGBTQIdentity**

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Q1: **@nblca** Homelessness, stigma, lack of education and violence. **#LGBTQIdentity**

HIV presents a challenge. 81% of youth diagnosed with HIV in 2015 were men who have sex with men, primarily men of color **#LGBTQIdentity**

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Q1: What are the biggest challenges facing LGBTQ+ youth? **#LGBTQIdentity**

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Replying to @AmidaCareNY

A1: Not feeling accepted at home or not out at home, needing to be isolated from family to stay safe, can lead to homelessness #LGBTQIdentity

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Homelessness is a critical issue: approximately 40% of homeless youth identify as LGBTQ according to @HRC #LGBTQIdentity

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Creating safe spaces for teens to spend time after school & linking them to secure housing opportunities is essential #LGBTQIdentity

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LGBTQ teens are 6 times more likely to experience symptoms of depression than the general population nami.org/Find-Support/L... #LGBTQIdentity

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A1: Many LGBTQ+ youth face homophobia, stigma and discrimination, often leading to struggles w/ mental health. #LGBTQIdentity

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Bullying and a lack of support are two challenges facing LGBTQ+ youth. Learn more about how to support them here:



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A1: Poor mental health can lead to substance abuse and risky sexual behaviors – opening the door to other health issues.

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A1: Not feeling safe at school, experiencing verbal harassment and physical violence from peers

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Q2: Educators: What are some of the best ways to support trans youth? #LGBTQIdentity

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Replying to @AmidaCareNY

Q2: Educators feel safe to be out at school and are celebrated for being open #LGBTQIdentity

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Our website has resources for educators & health providers on actively supporting LGBTQ youth [amidacareny.org/media-center/...](http://amidacareny.org/media-center/) #LGBTQIdentity



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Replying to @AmidaCareNY

A2: Ask for personal gender pronouns of all students, normalize diverse gender expressions #LGBTQIdentity

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Gay City News @GayCityNews · Jun 28



Is this part of @NYCSchools trans guidelines, @eduGAYtional?

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Jared Fox @eduGAYtional · Jun 28



Not in policy to ask but 100% have to respect and affirm pronouns.



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Replying to @AmidaCareNY

A2: Understand and model that gender is a spectrum, engage students around their stereotypes of traditional gender roles #LGBTQIdentity



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A2: Don't assume trans students will transition in a certain way, or express their gender in a traditional way #LGBTQIdentity



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A2: Be open and relaxed about trans experience, understand that there is no one type of trans person or experience #LGBTQIdentity



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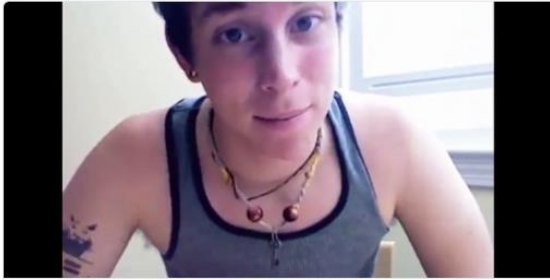




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Skylar Kergil gives helpful advice about transitioning + what NOT to say in this #FirstPerson clip: bit.ly/2l1E5ut #LGBTQIdentity



Transitioning: A Visual Timeline and What Not to Say

Learn about Skylar Kergil, a transgender artist, activist and YouTuber, as he talks about his experience documenting his transition from female-to-male ... pbslearningmedia.org

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Be sure to check out the Support Materials section for text, DQs, vocab, + teaching tips to help you support trans youth. #LGBTQIdentity

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A2: Truly listening. And following the @NYCSchools Trans Student Guidelines at [schools.nyc.gov/RulesPolicies/...](http://schools.nyc.gov/RulesPolicies/) #LGBTQIdentity

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Educators can support trans youth by using their preferred pronouns in class and encouraging other students to do the same #LGBTQIdentity

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A2: Have gender neutral bathrooms available and allow students to use the bathroom that they most identify with

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A2: Don't ask trans students to educate you about their identity or speak for all trans students

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A2: Check out GLSEN's Model District Policy on Trans and GNC students: glsen.org/article/transg...

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.@HRC, @ACLU, @NEAToday & more created a guide for supporting trans students in K-12 schools assets.hrc.org/files/assets/... #LGBTQIdentity

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Teachers can help students form a Gender Sexuality Alliance.
[@WNETEducation](#) shares a useful checklist
ny.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/tp17... #LGBTQIdentity



GSA Checklist
Use this handout with your students to help establish a Gay-Straight Alliance or Gender Sexuality Alliance (GSA) organization at your school or ny.pbslearningmedia.org

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Q2: [@NBLCA](#) Provide safe and affordable living spaces; meaningful job training so they can become self-sufficient and self-reliant.

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Q2: Educators: What are some of the best ways to support trans youth? #LGBTQIdentity

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Q3: What makes a safe space and why are they so important? #LGBTQIdentity

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Replying to [@AmidaCareNY](#)

A3: Clear, non-judgemental and sex positive guidelines that promote respect and free expression #LGBTQIdentity

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This guide from [@AdvocatesTweets](#) provides tips on creating a safe space for LGBTQ youth [advocatesforyouth.org/storage/advfy/...](http://advocatesforyouth.org/storage/advfy/) #LGBTQIdentity

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Explore safe spaces in this video feat. Bklyn Boihood, an org that spreads love through music + art. [#LGBTQIdentity](http://bit.ly/2sYwGyd) bit.ly/2sYwGyd

A3: A safe space is a welcoming, supportive and safe for LGBTQ individuals to connect with their community and allies.

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Q3: What makes a safe space and why are they so important? [#LGBTQIdentity](#)

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A3: Don't stop at #safespace -need brave, affirming, celebratory spaces. As author Michael Sadowski says: Safe is not enough. [#LGBTQIdentity](#)

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Check out:



Race, Visibility and Safe Spaces

In this video from First Person, meet Ryann Holmes, activist and co-founder of Bklyn Boihood, an organization that spreads love through community-bui...
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A3: Gives students a break from being vigilant and having their gender expressions policed [#LGBTQIdentity](#)

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A3: Fosters a sense of belonging and breaks isolation, helps youth feel proud and seen and a place to identify positive role models

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A3: [@nblca](#) This is a space where they can address any issue affecting their life without facing discrimination of any kind.

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The Alliance
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A3: For many, simply knowing safe spaces exist can be a source of support.

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A3: The Alliance is proud to count all of our community centers as safe spaces and welcome LGBTQ New Yorkers.

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Q4: What does it mean to you to embrace the radical power of softness? #LGBTQIdentity

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WNED Education @WNEDEducation · Jun 28

Replying to @AmidaCareNY

Explore playwright Donja Love's definition in the "Boundless Black Masculinity" video @FirstPersonPBS #LGBTQIdentity bit.ly/2uf8Qxl



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"Practicing...radical softness, existing in a space as a...black queer man to be as open as possible" youtube.com/watch?v=zuwb1O... #LGBTQIdentity



S2 #1: Boundless Black Masculinity

In the season 2 premiere of PBS Digital Studios' First Person, host Tonilyn Sideco talks with playwright Donja Love about his experience of surviving depress... youtube.com

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Replying to @AmidaCareNY

A4: Embracing radical softness means letting go of toxic masculinity. It also means #selfcare #lgbtqidentity

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Softness means feeling free to be your most authentic self and live your best, happiest life #LGBTQIdentity

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Replying to @WNEDEducation @AmidaCareNY @FirstPersonPBS

Donja Love describes the importance of smiling + being open in a world that tells him to be otherwise #LGBTQIdentity bit.ly/2uf8Qxl



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A4: @NBLCA Love the softer side of yourself, it means loving both the female and male parts of one's self. #LGBTQIdentity

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Q5: What can be done to help LGBTQ youth protect their physical, sexual, mental, & emotional health? #LGBTQIdentity

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A5: @NBLCA Provided them with Clinician's who are also LGBTQ and/or clinicians who are empathetic to those of the community #LGBTQIdentity

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LGBTQ youth can find LGBTQ-knowledgeable doctors here for judgement-free care: on.nyc.gov/lgbtqhealth
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Q5: What can be done to help LGBTQ youth protect their physical, sexual, mental, & emotional health? #LGBTQIdentity

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The Center @LGBTCenterNYC · Jun 28

Replying to @AmidaCareNY

A5: LGBTQ sexual health covered in all health classes [#LGBTQIdentity](#)

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Sex ed must include lessons relevant to LGBTQ students, such as consent & STI prevention for all types of relationships [#LGBTQIdentity](#)



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Replying to @AmidaCareNY

A5: Have doctors be educated about PrEP and provide sex-positive, nonshaming sexual health information to all youth [#LGBTQIdentity](#)

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Reducing stigma is key. 84% of youth feel there is stigma around HIV, which could prevent discussions around safer sex [#LGBTQIdentity](#)



The Alliance @thealliance_nyc · Jun 28

Replying to @AmidaCareNY

A5: We can all work to break the stigma impacting the LGBTQ community. [#LGBTQIdentity](#)

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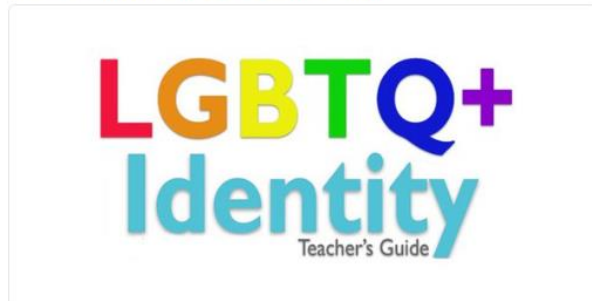
Educators and support networks can utilize @AmidaCareNY's many resources for LGBTQ+ youth here: amidacareny.org/media-center/l... #LGBTQIdentity

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And educators: consider downloading the LGBTQ+ Identity: Teacher's Guide for helpful resource links: bit.ly/2uftAj #LGBTQIdentity



LGBTQ+ Identity: Teacher's Guide

The LGBTQ+ Identity: Teacher's Guide is designed for teacher professional development and offers an overview of the collection, terms to know, and pbslearningmedia.org

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A5: Fight cigarette and alcohol companies that over-target LGBTQ youth #LGBTQIdentity

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A5: Clear and consistent consequences for anti-LGBTQ verbal and physical violence #LGBTQIdentity

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41% of US schools were required to teach about HIV in 2014, compared with 64% in 2000. Every student needs to learn about HIV #LGBTQIdentity

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A5: GSAs are great places where students can learn from their peers and build community. #gbtqidentity

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Q6: How can educators be better equipped to support the health needs of LGBTQ youth?
#LGBTQIdentity

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A6: Identify LGBTQ affirming health care providers for students **#LGBTQIdentity**

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Healthcare doesn't exist in a vacuum: @AmidaCareNY provides access to integrated care to keep vulnerable populations engaged **#LGBTQIdentity**

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A6: Provide information about PEP and PrEP, easy access to STD testing, and free condoms **#LGBTQIdentity**

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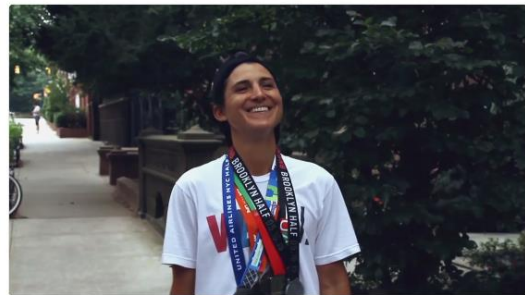
A6: Have demonstrative lessons on barrier methods, and have all students practice putting on condoms **#LGBTQIdentity**

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Educators: with your help we can promote understanding, tolerance, awareness, + better self-esteem for LGBTQ+ young people **#LGBTQIdentity**



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A6: @NBLCA Listening sessions for educators facilitated by the LGBTQI community including youth would be very helpful. **#LGBTQIdentity**

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Sex ed must include lessons relevant to LGBTQ students, such as consent & STI prevention for all types of relationships **#LGBTQIdentity**

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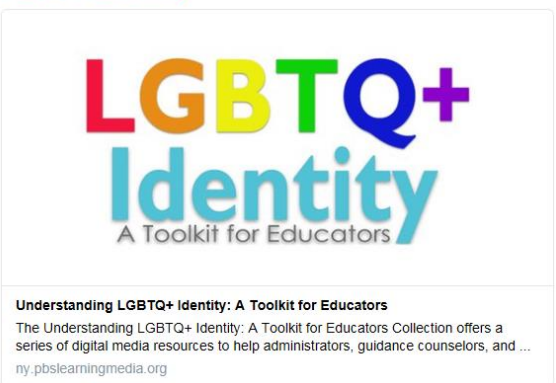
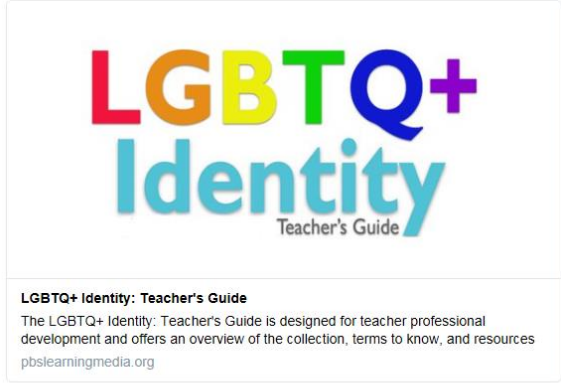
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Check out the terms to know + LGBTQ Information and Services in the LGBTQ+ Identity: Teacher's Guide bit.ly/2ufjtAj #LGBTQIdentity

.@WNTEducation's collection helps teachers address the complex issues faced by LGBTQ students ny.pbslearningmedia.org/collection/lgb... #LGBTQIdentity



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.@CDCgov provides a number of resources for educators and schools looking to support LGBTQ youth cdc.gov/lgbthealth/you... #LGBTQIdentity

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Thanks everyone for participating in the #LGBTQIdentity chat! We appreciate all your insights on this topic.

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Thank you to all our participants and our partner @AmidaCareNY! amidacareny.org #LGBTQIdentity

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