Welcoming Schools Professional Development

Learn about the many professional development trainings and resources that the nationally acclaimed, research-based Welcoming Schools program has to offer.

Creating LGBTQ Inclusive Schools
+ Be able to better answer questions from students and families related to LGBTQ topics.
+ Learn how to develop LGBTQ inclusive classrooms and become familiar with LGBTQ terminology.

Embracing All Families
+ Learn the importance of seeing and embracing family diversity.
+ Be able to answer questions from students and families about the importance of welcoming all families in your school community.

Preventing Bias-Based Bullying
+ Be able to foster ally behavior among students, staff and other adults.
+ Understand the critical need to proactively address the biased behavior that can lead to bullying.

Creating Gender Inclusive Schools
+ Develop a framework for creating a gender inclusive school.
+ Be able to respond to challenging questions related to gender.

Welcoming Schools Law and Policy Review
+ Become knowledgeable of federal, state and school district level laws and policies.
+ Become familiar with language to strengthen current policy and advocate for enumerated protections for all students.

Supporting Transgender and Non-Binary Students
+ Understand the critical need to create safe and supportive schools for transgender and non-binary students.
+ Be familiar with policies and best practices to support transgender and non-binary students.

Intersectionality: School Practices with an Intersectional Lens
+ Explore the concept of intersectionality and how to use it as a framework to create school climates that are affirming and welcoming for students’ whole selves, including intersectional identities such as race, ethnicity, gender, ability, faith, LGBTQ identity, family structure, etc.
+ Understand the experiences and impact of school policies and practices on students' intersectional identities.