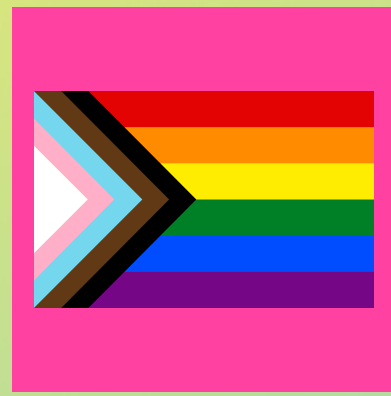


Three top reasons to oppose censorship of LGBT+ topics in school



1. LGBT+ topics aren't inherently sexual

Most LGBT+ education simply tells kids that LGBT+ people exist and that that's fine, nothing about that has to be sexual. You can talk about same sex relationships, gay people existing, and how people can romantically (not sexually) like the same gender without mentioning sex. The only difference between straight and gay people is the gender people like, so if we can talk about straight relationships to kids then it's ok to talk about gay relationships. Also, we talk about things that are close to sex like pregnancy with kids without talking about sex itself. Calling LGBT+ education grooming and sexualization is far from the truth.

2. LGBT+ accepting schools are positive

Research shows LGBT+ kids who go to schools that are LGBT+ accepting have better mental health and are better off in general. They have better grades, less depression and anxiety, and lower suicide rates. LGBT+ inclusive curricula and a safe school environment help with this. Censoring LGBT+ topics does the opposite.

3. It's plain censorship

Censorship of LGBT+ topics is censorship. This leaves kids in a bubble and less informed about important issues; our world is a diverse place and education should reflect that diversity. Censorship of LGBT+ topics also limits the free speech of teachers to talk about what should be a normal topic and sets a bad precedent opening the door for more censorship.

Conclusion

The bottom line is that censorship of LGBT+ topics in schools is bad. Despite what some people say it's not grooming or sexualizing. The research shows schools that accept LGBT+ students are better and needless censorship of LGBT+ topics is just plain censorship.