

# HOW TO SUPPORT LGBT FAMILIES

A 2013 study estimated that there are over 200,000 children in the USA being raised by LGBT parents. Here are simple ways schools can support kids with LGBT parents.

## BOOKS FOR KIDS

Ensure classrooms have books that reflect diverse families. Exposure to these books removes the burden of explaining family constellations from kids with same-sex parents.



## INCLUSIVE FORMS



Use language on forms such as Parent or Guardian versus Mom and Dad.

## CELEBRATE DIVERSE FAMILIES

Host a "Human Rights Day" or other day of national significance for LGBT families, post visual cues that reflect diverse families, and sponsor a Gay Straight Alliance.



## SAFE SPACES



Ensure there is an easily recognized adult in the school that kids can go to should they need someone to talk to about issues that arise.

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