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Your journey to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender inclusion

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Foundations for Local Authority Education Departments









1.1 Baseline survey completed				
1.2 Champion group identified	Minimum of 4 staff, including principal teachers/senior managers	Minimum of 2 staff and 2 pupils	Minimum of 2 staff, including principal teacher/ DHT/HT and 2 pupils	Minimum of 2 staff, including principal teacher/ DHT/HT and 2 pupils
1.3 Quarterly champion group meetings held to discuss progress and actions				
1.4 Undertake a staff and pupil consultation which assesses the needs of LGBT young people/families in your school	•		•	•
1.5 Action plan developed based on evidence and/or learning from LGBT Awareness Training	•		•	
2. TRAINING				
2.1 Staff must receive 3.5 hour LGBT Awareness Training from LGBT Youth Scotland	Senior/Operational Management Team or similar	20% of all staff	40% of staff (to include principal teacher/DHT/HT)	60% of staff (to include principal teacher/DHT/H
2.2 Staff to receive briefing, sharing key lessons learned from LGBT Awareness Training	70% of all staff	70% of all staff	80% of all staff	90% of all staff
2.3 All champions plus key identified staff receive a minimum of 3.5 hours Supporting Trans Young People Training from LGBT Youth Scotland				•
2.4 School to offer LGBT Awareness Briefing to parents and carers				
3. POLICY				
3.1 Policies must meet the standards set out in the Equality Act (2010)				
3.2 Anti-bullying policies must provide information on homophobic, biphobic and transphobic bullying or gender-based bullying and be guided by A National Approach to Anti-Bullying for Scotland's Children and Young People	•	•	•	•
3.3 Relevant policies should consider LGBT people and make specific reference where necessary				•
3.4 Tools developed to support staff to undertake an impact assessment of their school				
3.5 Undertake impact assessment of policies and/or practice in relation to LGBT people				
3.6 Involve young people in the development, review and improvement stages of policy				
3.7 A minimum of 1 targeted LGBT policy is developed				
4. PRACTICE				
4.1 Undertake at least 1 activity or campaign with young people on their right to experience an education free from prejudice and discrimination	•			
4.2 Undertake at least 1 youth-led intervention programme with young people (i.e. peer education, youth advisory or LGBT allies groups).			•	•
4.3 Undertake at least 1 activity which specifically addresses the needs of transgender young people				
4.4 Undertake activities/mark commemorative days/weeks/months relevant to LGBT people				
4.5 Provide evidence of LGBT safe spaces being considered within your school (changing rooms/ gender neutral toilets/gender neutral PE classes)				
4.6 Provide evidence of LGBT inclusion across different areas of the curriculum				
4.7 Provide evidence of referral mechanisms or signposting to any relevant LGBT organisations				
4.8 Address IT issues which prevent young people from accessing LGBT related websites, including LGBT Youth Scotland	•			
5. VISIBILITY				
5.1 Website includes links to LGBT Youth Scotland and other relevant LGBT organisations (if online)				
5.2 Posters and promotional materials for LGBT Youth Scotland and other relevant LGBT organisations made available (for staff and pupils)	•		•	•
5.3 LGBT Charter of Rights is visibly displayed in your school/headquarters and on-line if possible				
5.4 Staff and pupils are made aware of your LGBT Charter journey				
5.5 Share your learning from your LGBT Charter journey with LGBT Youth Scotland or other schools				
5.6 Provide evidence of LGBT inclusive books in your school library				
5.7 Ensure your own resources are LGBT inclusive or develop your own				
6. MONITORING AND EVALUATION				
6.1 Develop a framework which supports safe, confidential and appropriate monitoring of sexual orientation and gender identity for staff	•			
6.2 At least 1 school in your local area must be signed up to undertake the Bronze Charter Award prior to the point of LGBT Charter evidence submission	•			
6.3 Undertake equality and diversity workforce monitoring which is safe, confidential and appropriate				
6.4 Undertake anonymous pupil surveys to capture experiences of bullying and prejudice, including questions on homophobic, biphobic and transphobic bullying	•			•
6.5 Complete end evaluation and identify next steps in your LGBT Charter journey				