

Safe Schools Laws: Non-discrimination

Current as of September 22, 2016

Alabama

- No law protecting LGBT students

Alaska

- No law protecting LGBT students

Arizona

- No law protecting LGBT students

Arkansas

- No law protecting LGBT students

California

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the basis of association with someone with a listed characteristic
- See [Cal. Edc. Code § 234](#) (2011).

Colorado

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [SB 08-200](#) (2008).

Connecticut

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [Conn. Gen. Stat. 10-15c](#), amended to include sexual orientation in 1997 and amended to include gender identity in 2011

Delaware

- No law protecting LGBT students



District of Columbia

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [D.C. Code § 2-1402.41](#) (2012).

Florida

- No law protecting LGBT students

Georgia

- No law protecting LGBT students

Hawaii

- School regulation or teacher code prohibits bullying on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See the Hawaii State Board of Education's [Student Safety and Welfare Policy 4211](#) (2008).

Idaho

- No law protecting LGBT students

Illinois

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [S.B. 3266](#) (2010).

Indiana

- No law protecting LGBT students

Iowa

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [Iowa Code § 216.9](#) (2007).

Kansas

- No law protecting LGBT students



Kentucky

- No law protecting LGBT students

Louisiana

- No law protecting LGBT students

Maine

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [5 M.R.S. § 4552](#) (2005).

Maryland

- No law protecting LGBT students

Massachusetts

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [Mass. Gen. Laws, chapter 76, § 5](#), amended to include sexual orientation in 1993 and amended to include gender identity in 2011.

Michigan

- No law protecting LGBT students

Minnesota

- Law prohibits bullying on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [Minn. Stat. § 363A.13](#) (1993).

Mississippi

- No law protecting LGBT students

Missouri

- No law protecting LGBT students

Montana

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Nebraska

- No law protecting LGBT students

Nevada

- No law protecting LGBT students

New Hampshire

- No law protecting LGBT students

New Jersey

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [N.J. Stat. § 10:5-1](#) and [10:5-5](#), amended to include sexual orientation in 1991 and amended to include gender identity in 2006.

New Mexico

- School regulation or teacher code prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation only

New York

- No law protecting LGBT students

North Carolina

- No law protecting LGBT students

North Dakota

- No law protecting LGBT students

Ohio

- No law protecting LGBT students

Oklahoma

- No law protecting LGBT students



Oregon

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [ORS § 659.850](#) (2007).

Pennsylvania

- School regulation or teacher code prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation only

Rhode Island

- Law prohibits bullying on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [16 R.I. Gen. Laws § 16-21-33 \(2011\)](#).

South Carolina

- No law protecting LGBT students

South Dakota

- No law protecting LGBT students

Tennessee

- No law protecting LGBT students

Texas

- No law protecting LGBT students

Utah

- School regulation or teacher code prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation only

Vermont

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the basis of association with someone with a listed characteristic
- See [Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 9, § 4502](#), amended to include sexual orientation in 2001 and amended to include gender identity in 2007



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Virginia

- No law protecting LGBT students

Washington

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity
- See [RCW 28A.642.010](#), amended to include sexual orientation in 2002 and amended to include gender identity in 2009

West Virginia

- No law protecting LGBT students

Wisconsin

- Law prohibits discrimination in schools on the basis of sexual orientation only
- See [Wis. Stat. § 118.13](#) (2001).

Wyoming

- No law protecting LGBT students