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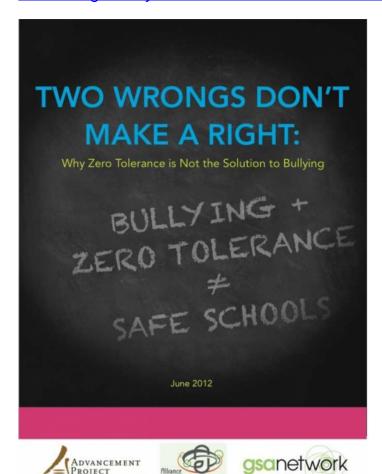
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I?m so excited to announce the release of a groundbreaking new report on school discipline from GSA Network, Advancement Project, and Alliance for Educational Justice, <u>Two Wrongs Don?t</u>

Make a Right: Why Zero Tolerance is Not the Solution to Bullying [1].



[2] In the past few years, bullying, and especially bullying of LGBT youth, has finally gained the attention and outrage it deserves. Unfortunately, legislators and policymakers have responded with efforts to "get tough" on bullies. This trend to

criminalize bullying with harsh discipline policies like zero tolerance has only made matters worse. This punitive approach results in students being needlessly pushed out of school and placed onto a path into the criminal justice system coined the ?school-to-prison pipeline.? Not only have these policies failed to make schools safer; their negative effect on students on students is similar to the consequences of bullying.

Two Wrongs Don't Make a Right details the harm caused by zero tolerance and harsh discipline, and offers alternatives that protect students from bullying and create safer school environments. We need to stop treating students like they're disposable, and instead create schools that honor every students' right to an education.

Please <u>read the report</u> \triangleright [1] and then join us for a Twitter Town Hall with the hashtag #bullychat at 4 pm PST, Tuesday, June 26!

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