

FUN THINGS TO DO WITH YOUR GSA

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This resource lists fun things to do with your Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) club in three areas: **support**, **social**, and **activist** activities. GSAs can be a mixture of these three types and mix up their activities to reflect their mission. See our GSA Tree Checklist for more guidance on building your GSA.



Support

- Host “bring a friend day” at a GSA meeting
- Invite guest speakers or workshop facilitators to your meetings to talk about mental and sexual health and other issues you care about
- Take a field trip to get tested for HIV at a local clinic
- Take a self defense class as a club
- Visit a middle school GSA and offer support
- Discuss coming out to family and friends
- Discuss suicide prevention and pass out resources and hotline numbers

Social

- Host an LGBTQ movie night. Check out our Youth In Motion series with Frameline -- you can get free movies!
- Plan a BBQ, picnic, pizza night, or potluck or host an ice cream social during lunch or after school
- Go on a field trip to a museum, film screening, or event that includes LGBTQ issues
- Make GSA buttons, shirts, and patches
- Volunteer together at a local shelter, food pantry, or charity
- Host a board game night
- Plan a Pride Dance or go to a LGBTQ dance in your area
- Get together with other GSAs or student clubs on campus or at a local queer or queer-friendly café
- Have an outdoor games day at a local park
- Hold a drag show, vogue, or step show fundraiser
- Hold a GSA bowling night
- Pass out rainbow cupcakes at a recruitment fair
- Paint a mural together
- Start an LGBTQ book club
- Build a website or social media page for your GSA or even make a video about GSA and share on social media
- Host a poetry and performance night



Activist

- Attend a GSA Network event or local LGBTQ conference
- Play the Gender & Sexuality Match Game at a meeting
- Do the Privilege Walk and discuss what privilege and power means in your GSA
- Have members map out their Gender Bread Person either privately or in a group and discuss
- Hold an assembly on Harvey Milk Day, Day of Silence, or during LGBTQ History Month
- Plan or go to local rallies, student protests, or lobbying events
- Make a zine about LGBTQ issues at your school
- Pass out surveys at school about LGBTQ issues and use the results in your activism
- Go to a school board or city council meeting, share your stories, and advocate for policies that protect LGBTQ students
- Raise funds to buy textbooks for your school and get “Donated by GSA” stamped inside
- Pass out rainbow ribbons on National Coming Out Day
- Launch a campaign to reduce slurs, get gender neutral bathrooms, or LGBTQ-inclusive classes
- Post LGBTQ visibility posters on bulletin boards in your community
- Hold discussions about how the school system affects people of color and what your GSA can do about it. Suggested reading: http://www.aecf.org/upload/publicationfiles/fact_sheet3.pdf
- Do a teacher training on LGBTQ issues and stopping slurs with role plays, videos, and member stories
- Participate in AIDS Walk, Relay for Life, or other charity walks
- Do a brainstorm of the Vision and Values for your GSA and put them on your posters
- Do a teach-in about student rights on your campus quad

