2023-2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

\rightarrow AUGUST 2023 \leftarrow

GSA RAMP UP

With the new school year kicking off, you and your GSA can begin brainstorming activities and campaigns to get involved in during the upcoming school year. Check out our resources by visiting gsanetwork.org/resources

SEPTEMBER

THIS MONTH: GSA Registration!

Register your GSA every school year at gsanetwork.org/gsa-registration to receive resources, news, & information to strengthen your GSA club! One registration per club is sufficient. Get ideas and tips on how to build out your GSA with our virtual Power Training Video Series at youtube.com/GSANetwork

We're also launching our first-ever Youth Freedom Fund, which seeks to support youth-led projects and campaigns that organize and advocate for safe and healthy school environments. We will provide awards to GSA clubs that were registered with us last year and re-register with our network this year. Applications open on 8/15/23: gsanetwork.org/freedomfund

4th-10th: Suicide Prevention Awareness Week

Break down the stigma around suicide by having conversations with your club/community on how to advocate for better mental health services, learning to recognize the signs of suicide & preparing a safety plan beforehand. Find resources at nami.org

Sep 15th-Oct 15th: Latinx History Month

Celebrate the accomplishments of LGBTQ+ Latinx figures, like trans activist Sylvia Rivera & undocumented trans activist Jennicet Gutiérrez.

Find more ideas on how to uplift LGBTQ+ Latinx activists at gsanetwork.org/resources/nuestras-historias





More Resources at: gsanework.org/resources

OCTOBER

THIS MONTH: LGBTQ+ History Month!

Teach your school & community about our history! Find more inspiration & resources at: gsanetwork.org/lgbt-history-month

10th: Indigenous Peoples' Day

Indigenous Peoples' Day honors and celebrates the contributions, resilience and real history of the Indigenous Peoples of the Americas. Check out our Honoring the Land resource: gsanetwork.org/two-spirit

11th: National Coming Out Day

National Coming Out Day is an annual LGBTQ+ awareness day to support those in sharing out their queer identities. While coming out can be liberating and powerful, it's an individual and personal choice to make. We support all trans and queer youth regardless of their decision.

26th: Intersex Awareness Day

This international awareness day marks the anniversary of the first intersex protest in the United States in 1996. Learn more from InterAct at intersex-awareness-day







More Resources at: gsanework.org/resources

NOVEMBER

THIS MONTH: Native American Heritage Month!

Celebrate and uplift the accomplishments of historical and contemporary LGBTQ+ Native American figures, and learn more about our Two-Spirit Initiative: gsanetwork.org/two-spirit

17th: GSA Day for Gender Justice- #GSADay4GJ

This annual day of action for GSA Clubs, TQ2S+ youth, and allies centers trans and nonbinary youth to mobilize for a future free of gender-based violence within the GSA Movement.

Learn more about #GSADay4GJ at gsanetwork.org/gsaday4gj

20th: Transgender Day of Remembrance & Resilience

First held to honor Rita Hester in 1999, this day of remembrance has grown to memorialize transgender people across the world, including those who were killed due to anti-trans violence, as well as to honor the resilience of those in the fight for trans liberation. Check out resources & art at forwardtogether.org/art

DECEMBER

1st: World AIDS Day

This day "is an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, show their support for people living with HIV & to commemorate people who have died. World AIDS Day was the first ever global health day held for the first time in 1988" – World AIDS Day. Learn more at worldaidsday.org

FEBRUARY 2024

THIS MONTH: Black History Month!

Collaborate with student groups at your school to recognize LGBTQ+ Black activists like Marsha P. Johnson, Bayard Rustin, James Baldwin and more.

22nd: GSA Day for Racial Justice-#GSADay4RJ

Mobilize for racial justice & celebrate the multiple identities LGBTQ+ youth hold. Host teach-ins, marches, & other actions to support dismantling white supremacy & racism in your area. For more information, visit gsanetwork.org/gsaday4rj

MARCH

THIS MONTH: Women's History Month!

Celebrate and learn about the contributions that LGBTQ+ women and women of color have contributed to our history and the movement for gender equity.

31st: Transgender Day of Visibility

Show your support for the trans & non-binary community by bringing attention to the accomplishments of trans people around the globe while fighting cissexism & transphobia.

APRIL

10th: National Youth HIV & AIDS Awareness Day

Organize & educate young people in your community about HIV & AIDS. Learn more at <u>advocatesforyouth.org/resources/fact</u>-sheets/national-youth-hiv-aids-awareness-day-one-pager

MAY

THIS MONTH: Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Celebrate and uplift the accomplishments of historical and contemporary LGBTQ+ Asian American, Pacific Islander & Native Hawaiian figures.

(Also) THIS MONTH: Mental Health Awareness Month

LGBTQ+ youth disproportionately experience mental health struggles. Educate youth by having conversations around mental health awareness and the importance of community and self care.

Check out ways to participate at nami.org/Get- Involved/Awareness-Events/Mental-Health-Awareness-Month

1st: International Workers' Day (May Day)

May Day celebrates and commemorates the struggles and gains made by workers and the labor movement, who fought to pass our current 8 hour workday law in 1886. Today, the labor movement continues to fight for better working conditions and pay in many countries.

JUNE

THIS MONTH: Pride Month!

Join in Pride celebrations aimed at honoring LGBTQ+ communities across the country, recognize the sacrifices that our trans & queer elders endured-like those who took place in the Stonewall Uprisings-and celebrate the resilience of our community amidst anti-LGBTQ+ legislation.

(Also) THIS MONTH: End of the School Year!

Congratulations to our young people who worked hard in their schools & communities! Take time to reflect on the growth & achievements your GSA has gone through & prepare for what the next year might bring for your club. Have a great summer!

19th: Juneteenth

Juneteenth commemorates the end of slavery in the United States on June 19, 1865 in Galveston, Texas, and is recognized as the day that all enslaved African Americans finally learned of the news of their freedom.

Learn more about Juneteenth at juneteenth.com

JULY

14th: Nonbinary Peoples' Day/Week

Nonbinary Awareness Week leads up to Nonbinary Peoples' Day, which is a time to celebrate and show your support for nonbinary people and their continued fight for recognition and rights, including legal gender markers and proper pronoun usage.



