

## Homophobia, Bullying, and Cyberbullying Resources

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## **Making our Environments Safer and More Welcoming for Everyone**

1. Learn more about bullying, cyberbullying and homophobia through books and resources. (Bullying Prevention, Cyberbullying Research Center, GLSEN)
2. Become aware of laws involving bullying, cyberbullying and hate crimes. (Cyberbullying Research Center.org, FBI hate crimes statistics)
3. Designate someone who can keep up with incidents, changing laws and methods of prevention and intervention.
4. Interrupt bullying and bias even if you are not sure what to do.
5. If you hear of a bullying incident, be sure that administrators or those in charge are aware of it and that they are doing something about it.
6. Be sure to also confront adult bullying and model intervention whenever you get a chance.
7. Create environments where everyone feels welcome and valued. Appreciating differences helps create safety, trust, and empathy.
8. Support having anti-bullying rules and laws that are enforced. (Lambdalegal.org,)
9. Support inclusive student curriculum. (Southern Poverty Law Center and CRC have many suggestions).
10. Support staff development initiatives.
11. Support student initiatives that address bias, bullying and cyberbullying. (Megan's Pledge, Pary Aftab, Mix it Up Day, Trevor Project)
12. What other ideas do you have?