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## Sexual Orientation

Introduction:

Research question: What are the reason of Sexual Orientation been taught on Schools?

This is a interest topic to talk about because it benefic the parents and the children that would have a better knowledge of what sexual orientation is. Nowadays we have the freedom to talk in school and ask for advice in schools with no judgment. In the past kid that went to school didn't have that opportunity, help and someone to be there for them. Sexual orientation it is a big topic that kid would want to know either for their parents, school or they would find a way to get that information need it.

I'm interest on this topic because its a very deep topic. As I know there are a lot of parents that would be agree to let their childs to learn about sexual orientation, but there are other parents that might be disagree. The reason I got interested in the topic I choose was because I saw a documentary about kids in school learning about sexual orientation. I saw it I got interested in the topic because I have cousins that had that certain age where they are curious to know everything they saw. In some point I don't understand the meaning of the school teaching sexual orientation. I wanted to have more knowledge, details, and different opinions.

## 1. Citation:

DePaul, Julian, et al. "The Role of School Counselors in Addressing Sexual Orientation in Schools." *Professional School Counseling*, vol. 12, no. 4, 2009, pp. 300–08, <https://doi.org/10.5330/PSC.n.2010-12.300>.

## Summary:

According to DePaul, the counselors responsibilities are not only to give support to the students but to have a dialogue about the issue of the sexual orientation that its happening in schools. The purpose of this article was to accomplished the issue that are going on in Middle and high school to the students that consider gay, lesbian and the role that counselors have to do accomplish the issue. That the society only see those who have been teach sexual orientation but what about those who had an identity. The role of staff, teacher and counselors are to be supportive to those students that consider part of LGT+. There are also another opinion that sexual orientation sometimes cannot be addressed in schools

## Reflection:

I agree to this article that counselors need to solve the issue that are happening inside the school to the people who identify the opposite to their genders. I might say that also have to support the other side that are heterosexual as well they might not been thought the same circumstances as the other students but there also kid that need help with other stuff. Since students come from all origins and think in different ways, there are many issues with them. There are many reason that is interested to have counselors well trained so they can provide good service to the students, to give them their trust and support in different ways.

Quote the text:

- “ Over the past few decades, awareness of the diversity of sexual orientations has been consistently increasing across various spheres of society, including schools.
- “The proposed action plan for school counselors to address issues of sexual orientation in schools includes activities that fall along a continuum: (a) whole-school prevention, (b) targeted prevention, and (c) intensive intervention”
- “By raising the level of conversation regarding issues of sexual orientation and implementing supports for LGB students at multiple levels, school counselors can shepherd their schools toward meaningful and responsible change and their students toward further acceptance and opportunity”

2. Citation:

Meckler, Laura. “Gender Identity Lessons, Banned in Some Schools, Are Rising in Others.” *The Washington Post*, WP Company, 3 June 2022, [www.washingtonpost.com/education/2022/06/03/schools-gender-identity-transgender-lessons/](http://www.washingtonpost.com/education/2022/06/03/schools-gender-identity-transgender-lessons/).

Summary:

On this source describe how can teacher need to refer to all the students to not mistake other student that consider the opposite gender. There are procedure of how to manage their classes. Now, we can see that there are a lot of states that required the curriculums including LGBTQ+ topics. The number of young people have increase in america about those who had change their identities. An example that they give is that if you feel like you were a boy but there are people telling you that your are a girl. That shouldn't worry you because you would have support from

them because your a normal, no matter how people see you or how weird it might be for them, your would be a normal person. They wanted to apply “Rights, Respect, Responsibility” so student can learn how to respect other who have different parents or might have a different look from them.

#### Reflection:

I agree with these article because there are many families that are different from other and the kid that go to school there are been judge. Having the school teach about the difference and to explain to other kids at a young age its very important so they could have the respect and the responsibility to help other student that are getting bully just because there are different from others families. These would protect the kids from those parents that are getting bully because as a parents they want their kids to be protected. This article made a lot of good points about how to make the kids to feel comfortable with themselves without even care about other opinion who are making them feel bad.

#### Quote the text:

- “Remember, families can come in all shapes and sizes!”
- “Resources and lesson plans for those who want to teach about gender identity are becoming much more common”
- “Rights, Respect, Responsibility”
- “When you make a school environment safe and supportive for the most vulnerable youth, you improve the school environment for everyone.”

Conclusion:

While my research, I gain knowledge about the topic I was confused. I discovered a lot of opinion of Sexual orientation that I didn't know that was happening inside schools.. There are many protests over sexual orientation since many parents disagree. Others will find it beneficial to their children's education.

I think is important to know the facts of each opinion about the school that are talking about sexual orientation. I think parent aren't giving a lot of information that are required to have as a parent. They should make classes that teach parents the information about students who feel different from others school. There are some information that should be private too because than students start losing the trust that they are already give.