

Berkeley Unified School District
Resolution 21-041

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month

WHEREAS, it is the policy of Berkeley Unified School District Board of Education that all persons, including those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer, have an equal and nondiscriminatory opportunity to a quality public education experience; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley Unified School District Board of Education believes that the rich variety and diversity of families and communities is one of Berkeley's strengths, and furthermore, believes that a family is a supportive unit composed of various genders, orientations, cultures, races, and ethnicities; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley Unified School District Board of Education values and welcomes the diversity of our student body, our teachers, our staff, and administrators, including the diversity of sexual orientation and identity in our community; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley Unified School District has made a commitment to achieving acceptance through fostering diversity and inclusion in our staff, our school population, and in our curriculum; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley Unified School District's adopted curriculum materials comply with the FAIR Education Act ensuring all groups, including the LGBTQ+ community are represented fairly and accurately; and

WHEREAS, many lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or queer youth and youth perceived to belong to these groups still face harassment and physical violence in communities; and

WHEREAS, Berkeley Unified School District deplores harassment and physical violence or threat of such against any of our students, faculty, and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Berkeley Unified School District Board of Education wishes to note the variety of celebrations recognizing Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Pride Month around the nation and throughout the State of California during the month of June; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Berkeley Unified School District Board of Education and Berkeley Unified School District proclaim June Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Pride Month and will display a rainbow flag at each school and facility within Berkeley Unified School District throughout the month of June to signify support for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer community,

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education on the 2nd of June, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES: 5
NOES: 0
ABSENT: 0
ABSTAIN: 1

Julie Sinai
Clerk, Board of Education
Berkeley Unified School District