



The School Board of Broward County, Florida

RESOLUTION

No. 22-95

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PRIDE MONTH JUNE 2022

WHEREAS, Broward County Public Schools committed to supporting dignity, equity, and visibility for all people in the community; and

WHEREAS, Broward County Public Schools region have a diverse Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and/or Questioning (LGBTQ+) community; and

WHEREAS, many residents, students, family members, and school personnel are part of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and/or questioning community, and they contribute greatly to the enrichment of our schools and Broward County community; and

WHEREAS, although advancements have been made with respect to equitable treatment of LGBTQ+ persons, LGBTQ+ persons still face discrimination simply for being who they are, thus making it important for all districts and all communities to stand up and show support for all our students, staff, and families who are affected; and

WHEREAS, many cities across the United States recognize and celebrate June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month; and

WHEREAS, June has historically become a symbolic month in America in which LGBTQ+ persons and allies come together in various celebrations of pride to support the community's right to live their lives out loud; and

WHEREAS, the Rainbow Flag, created in 1978, is a flag with six distinct colors (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and violet) that has come to be known as the internationally recognized symbol of the LGBT community; and

WHEREAS, the Progress Flag, created in 2018, has added five arrow-shaped lines to the Rainbow Flag (including black and brown stripes to represent LGBTQ+ communities of color along with the colors pink, light blue, and white which are used on the Transgender Pride Flag), and the Progress Flag is now recognized as underscoring the intersections within the LGBTQ+ community and honoring LGBTQ+ people of color (whose activism inspired the very first Pride Month) as well as people of different gender identities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BCPS hereby declare the month of June as LGBTQ+Pride Month in our schools and invites everyone to reflect on ways we all can live and work together with a commitment to mutual respect and understanding;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The School Board of Broward County, Florida in conjunction with others throughout this state, hereby extends in support for the celebration of

**PRIDE MONTH
JUNE 2022**