

June 14, 2021

FROM: LAUSD OFFICE OF HUMAN RELATIONS, DIVERSITY, & EQUITY SUBJECT: STANDING WITH LGBTQ+ STUDENTS, STAFF & FAMILIES CONFERENCE – CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Dear colleagues:

It is our pleasure to announce that the Office of Human Relations, Diversity & Equity in Los Angeles Unified School District will be hosting a virtual conference titled **"Standing with LGBTQ+ Students, Staff, & Families: Best Practices for Affirming LAUSD's Queer Communities**" in October 2021. This multiday conference is designed to support LAUSD's mission to provide affirming learning and working environments for LGBTQ+ students, staff and families. The conference will be held from Monday, October 11, 2021 - Friday, October 15, 2021, from 2 pm – 4 pm PST. Each day will include 90minute sessions.

Topics

The focus of this conference will be on promising practices for affirming Sexual Orientation/ Gender Identity & Expression (SOGIE) in grades K-12. The audience will include LAUSD educators, teachers, administrators, counselors, and mental health professionals. We would like to invite you to submit a proposal to present at this conference. We are especially interested in topics that consider the complex identities of our students and how their LGBTQ+ identities intersect with other components of their identities including, but not limited to, their race, class, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, immigration status, physical/mental disability, mental health, and age. Another request is that actionable items are included in the presentation.

Presentation Requirements

Each presenter will need their own zoom link to host their session. The zoom link will be included in the conference program. Technical support will not be provided.

We will ask our presenters to provide us with any handouts prior to the conference so that they can be made available to participants.

Legal Disclaimer

Presenters shall ensure that no commercial or advertising message, or any other endorsements expressed or implied—are suggested or incorporated in any products, services, enterprises or materials developed for/or relating to LAUSD unless given written permission to do otherwise by LAUSD's Board of Education.

Next Steps

We invite you to submit a brief proposal via email through the following link:

Microsoft Forms



Please submit your proposal for consideration by **Friday, September 3, 2021, at 5 pm**. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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