

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JUNE AS LESBIAN, GAY, TRANSGENDER, BISEXUAL, QUEER+
(LGBTQ+) PRIDE MONTH**

El Camino Real Charter High School

WHEREAS, June is a time to celebrate our dynamic LGBTQ+ community, raise awareness of quality services, and foster dialogue to promote healthy, safe, and prosperous school climates and communities for all; and

WHEREAS, California state law addresses discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying towards LGBTQ+ youth, there have been numerous studies indicating the inequities experienced by the LGBTQ+ community, including poverty, homelessness, school harassment, physical assault, domestic violence, hate crimes, mental health issues, and substance abuse concerns; and

WHEREAS, The lack of awareness and understanding of issues facing LGBTQ+ children and youth has contributed to a higher rate of isolation, depression, and suicidal ideations or attempts; and

WHEREAS, bullying in schools is a serious matter that impacts student health and safety, and aims to develop engaged students, healthy families, safe schools, and strong communities; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to focus on localized efforts that support LGBTQ+ youth including student and school resources that focus on positive behavioral interventions and support, resources on school climate that address bullying and parent engagement, as well as tools for student health and wellness; and

WHEREAS, education regarding LGBTQ+ issues increases understanding and cultivates acceptance of and respect for LGBTQ+ children and youth; and

WHEREAS, through the recognition of Pride Month at El Camino Real Charter High School we can start working to cultivate positive and safe school environments to empower all youth with confidence and knowledge to successfully navigate and improve the ever-changing world:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the El Camino Real Charter High School Board proclaim June of every year henceforth as LGBTQ+ Pride Month to inspire equity, create alliances, celebrate diversity, and establish safe environments in our schools and communities throughout the county starting in our own classrooms. Classrooms should be a welcoming environment in which students feel safe, therefore El Camino Real Charter High School *teachers may* include LGBTQ+ associated flags, symbols, and informational postings in their classrooms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in an effort to support students who are affected by LGBTQ+ issues, members from the Administrative team at El Camino Real Charter High School will meet with members of GSA, parents, and teachers likewise to discuss what further can be done in school to actively support its students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that El Camino Real Charter High School will invest in meaningful resources to help LGBTQ+ individuals and allies. These resources include but are not limited to: expressive outlets, educational reading, programs, and parental guides, all of which educate the community while creating a safe learning environment for their pupils.