

Right to Learn

Senate Bill 12/ House Bill 1447

HB1447, now Public Law 234, strips away protections for material that is disseminated for educational purposes and opens schools, teachers, and librarians up to penalties if a parent disagrees with any part of material available in a school library. When books are censored, it is mostly books by and about LGBTQ+ people, people of color, and other marginalized groups. Students have a right to learn about all types of people and histories.



Know your rights!

If there is a book challenge at your school that you don't agree with, make sure your voice is heard by attending school board meetings.

Gender-Affirming Care bans

Senate Bill 480

SB 480, now Public Law 10, prohibits a physician or other practitioner from knowingly providing gender transition procedures to an individual who is less than 18 years of age. The ACLU of Indiana has filed a lawsuit on behalf of 4 families and a medical care provider to overturn this unconstitutional law.

House Bill 1569

HB 1569, now Public Law 90, prevents the department of correction from authorizing the payment of any money or the use of any state resources to provide sexual reassignment surgery to a person who is incarcerated.



Education

House Bill 1608

HB 1608, now Public Law 248, provides that schools cannot teach about human sexuality from Pre-K to 3rd grade. It also requires a school to notify a student's parent if that student asks to go by a different name or pronoun.



Know your rights!

When returning to school for the 2023-2024 school year, students need to be aware that if they ask to go by a different name or pronoun the school must notify their parents about the request.



Together, we can
make a *difference!*



Follow the Pride hearts to find things you need to know about new legislation impacting LGBTQ+ youth in Indiana and ways you can support LGBTQ+ rights in your community!

Contact your elected officials and let them know you want them to support rights for all members of the LGBTQ+ community. Find your legislators here:



For updates on legislation impacting youth in Indiana, sign up for MCCOY's Statehouse Sound-off Newsletter:



LGBTQ+ Legislative Update

Understanding the new laws in
Indiana impacting LGBTQ+ Youth



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