# TRANSGENDER YOUTH IN AMERICA'S SCHOOLS

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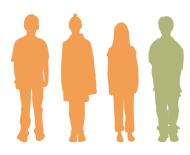
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## **OVER 150,000** TRANSGENDER YOUTH

THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 130,000 SCHOOLS IN THE U.S. SCHOOLS MUST BE READY TO SUPPORT ALL STUDENTS, INCLUDING TRANSGENDER STUDENTS.

### MANY TRANSGENDER STUDENTS EXPERIENCE DISCRIMINATION AND FEEL UNSAFE IN SCHOOLS

75% OF TRANSGENDER STUDENTS FELT UNSAFE AT SCHOOL BECAUSE OF THEIR GENDER EXPRESSION



**70%** OF TRANSGENDER STUDENTS SAID THEY'D AVOIDED BATHROOMS BECAUSE THEY FELT UNSAFE OR UNCOMFORTABLE



60% OF TRANSGENDER STUDENTS HAD BEEN REQUIRED TO USE A BATHROOM OR LOCKER ROOM THAT DID NOT MATCH THE GENDER THEY LIVE EVERY DAY



#### SOME STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS PROTECT TRANSGENDER STUDENTS

ONLY 13 STATES AND DC HAVE EDUCATION NON-DISCRIMINATION LAWS EXPLICITLY PROTECTING TRANSGENDER STUDENTS



#### EXISTING FEDERAL LAW PROTECTS ALL STUDENTS FROM BULLYING AND DISCRIMINATION

But implementation of these federal protections varies across the country and federal courts are currently hearing arguments about these protections.



Estimates of transgender youth between the ages of 13-17 are from the Williams Institute, "<u>Age of Individuals Who Identify as Transgender in the United States</u>," January 2017. Estimate of the number of U.S. schools is from the National Center for Education Statistics at the Department of Education, "<u>Fast Facts</u>," Data about the experiences of transgender students at school are from GLSEN, "<u>The 2015 National School Climate Survey</u>," December 2016. Information about state laws and policies can be found at the Movement Advancement Project, <u>LGBT Equality Maps</u>.