





# Hey LGBT Students!

## GLAD Scores Big for You!

If you go to public school in New England,  
**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT:**

 **To attend school in safety. This means no sexual harassment, harassment or bullying based on your sexual orientation or gender expression by peers or faculty.** Once notified of harassment or bullying, the school administration must investigate the situation and take steps to end the abuse.

 **To express your point of view, even on controversial issues, and to feel safe in doing so!**

 **To form a Gay/Straight Alliance on the same terms as all other extra-curricular student groups** and to have your GSA receive the same treatment and privileges, including equal funding and equal access to school facilities, etc.

### **GAY/STRAIGHT ALLIANCES**

GLAD has persuaded a number of stubborn schools to honor their obligations under the Federal Equal Access Act and allow a GSA to form.

### **ENDING HARASSMENT & BULLYING**

GLAD intervened after an assault against a lesbian high school student and the school agreed to take action to ensure the safety of all LGBT students.

### **THE PROM**

GLAD defended the right of a male student in Rhode Island to attend his high school prom with his boyfriend.

### **GENDER EXPRESSION**

GLAD won a ruling that a MA middle school may not prohibit a transgender student from expressing her female gender identity.

### **BOY SCOUTS**

GLAD worked to prevent the Boy Scouts from having any special privileges in light of their discrimination based on sexual orientation. In a Connecticut case, GLAD has succeeded in keeping the Boy Scouts out of the state charitable giving campaign.

### **LGBT STUDENTS DESERVE MORE**

Responding to persistent student safety/harassment concerns, GLAD has convinced school administrations to make trained support services available for LGBT students and has negotiated with schools for pro-active training of school personnel on issues relating to LGBT students and sexual orientation.

For more information about your rights as a student, or to discuss legal issues related to sexual orientation or gender expression at your school, contact GLAD Answers by email or live chat at [www.GLADAnswers.org](http://www.GLADAnswers.org) or by phone at **(800) 455-GLAD (4523)**

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