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FINDING AN EMOTIONAL **BALANCE WITHIN** AN LGBTQ-FRIENDLY OUTLET

HISTORY

Discovering the Need



Pride Night

Building Armor

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

Classroom Transitions

Independence

Core skills

BUILDING ARMOR



BEING SOCIAL

DISCOVERING NORMS PROBLEM SOLVING DRAMA



1888 – Lose of students = Farming/Vocational

1950 – Promotion of Middle Schools vs Junior Highs

CLASSROOM TRANSITIONS



1966 – Middle Schools Developed = specialized opportunities



2000 – Supported/More meaningful relationships = Reduce negative shift in motivational beliefs



Specials and Electives = Choices

SENSE OF

Providing Choices

Allowing for growth

Use it or Lose it

Strength in Transitions

CORE SKILLS

SOCIALIZATION

COMMUNICATION

RELATIONSHIP BUILDING

PROBLEM SOLVING

PANDEMIC HITS



The Aftermath

Up to 1 in 5 children ages 3-17 in the U.S are having a mental emotional, development or behavior disorder.

Preceding COVID 19% of high school students seriously considered attempting suicide.

PRIDE NIGHT

Safe Space

Once A Month Breather

LGBTQ+ and Allies

Build Up Confidence

Discover Identity









"To me Pride means to be proud of who you are no matter what anyone says or does."

"I like Pride Night because I get to see so many more people like me and meet new friends. It's nice to have somewhere so accepting."

"I feel like myself and I am able to tell my opinions about things." "Pride night lets me meet new people who are accepting and fun to be with. It's a place where I can be myself without judgement."