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### Online Resources

#### **Queer Kid Stuff with Lindz Amer**

*(lead collaborator and guest star for STC's Exploring Gender episodes)*

<https://www.queerkidstuff.com/>

*Lindz Amer's **Queer Kid Stuff** offers a wide array of videos, activities, articles, tools and resources for young people and their grownups to educate themselves and celebrate queer topics. Below are some of NYCCT's favorites features (but be sure to check out everything QKS has to offer on their website).*

#### **Videos on Gender**

[HE, SHE and THEY!! - Gender](#)

[What is nonbinary?](#)

[Gender Spectrum](#)

[Gender expression](#)

For more, check out the [Queer Kid Stuff Full Gender Playlist](#)

#### **For Educators**

Queer Kid Stuff has created multiple resources for educators to bring LGBTQ+ lessons and materials into their in-person and virtual classrooms. Head over to Teachers Pay Teachers for lesson plans, classroom posters, songbooks and more!

<https://www.teacherspayteachers.com/Store/Queer-Kid-Stuff>

#### **For Caregivers/Parents**

My Kid Is Gay is a first-of-its-kind digital space dedicated to connecting parents, caregivers, and educators with answers to their questions about the LGBTQIA (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, and Asexual) young people in their lives. They offer advice, personal stories, and expert opinions from a diverse panel of writers made up of parents, young people, and experts! Their writers (including Lindz) tackle a large variety of issues such as gender identity, sexuality, sex education, and religion.

<https://www.mykidisgay.com>

**For more resources visit [QKS Educational Resources page](#).**



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### Additional Online Resources

#### 9 Terrific Podcasts by Trans and Nonbinary Creators

<https://podcastreview.org/list/9-terrific-podcasts-by-trans-and-nonbinary-creators/>

#### Gender Expansive & LGBTQ+ Inclusive Instagram Accounts for Grown Ups!

[@teachingoutsidethebinary](#)

[@queerkidstuff](#)

[@alokvmenon](#)

[@indigenizingartsed](#)

[@vivekshraya](#)

[@inclusivestorytime](#)

[@wokekindergarten](#)

[@blairimani](#)

[@mx.acdumlao](#)

[@leahlakshmiwrites](#)

#### The Trevor Project

<https://www.thetrevorproject.org>

The Trevor Project is the world's largest suicide prevention and crisis intervention organization for LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning) young people.

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### Recommended Children's Books & Book Lists

**GLSEN's National Student Council** put together a list of books that are focused on diverse stories and LGBTQ+ characters. While this booklist showcases many LGBTQ+ Authors, not all of them may be part of the community, and instead, show solidarity through highlighting LGBTQ+ stories and characters.

[GLSEN\\_NSC\\_Booklist\\_Elementary\\_2021.pdf](#)

[GLSEN\\_NSC\\_Booklist\\_Middle\\_School\\_2021.pdf](#)



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[GLSEN\\_NSC\\_Booklist\\_High\\_School\\_2021.pdf](#)

### NYCCT Recommendations

*\*LGBTQ+ identifying author or illustrator*

#### Trans Narratives

- I am Jazz\*
- When Aidan Became a Brother\*
- Sylvia and Marsha Start a Revolution!\*

#### Pronouns

- They She He Me: Free to be!\*
- They She He Easy as ABC\*

#### Pride/LGBTQ+ History

- Stonewall: A Building, an Uprising, a Revolution\*
- Sewing the Flag\*
- Pride: The Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow Flag

#### Gender Expression

- Jacob's Room to Choose
- The Boy and the Bindi\*
- What Riley Wore
- Julian is a Mermaid
- Auntie Uncle\*

#### Same Sex Couples

- Prince & Knight\*
- Maiden & Princess\*
- Julian at the Wedding

Check out some additional titles here: <https://childrenslibrarylady.com/books-lgbtq-characters/>

### NYCCT Proud Read Alouds!

*Creative Clubhouse Stories celebrated Pride in June of 2021 with our Proud Read Aloud series, featuring guests teaching artists from the LGBTQ+ community!*

Read Prince & Knight with Tamelan!

<https://www.nycchildrenstheater.org/creative-clubhouse/story/proud-read-aloud-prince-knight/>

Read What Riley Wore with Stephanie!

<https://www.nycchildrenstheater.org/creative-clubhouse/story/proud-read-aloud-what-riley-wore/>



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Read They, She, He, Me: Free to Be with Maybe!

<https://www.nycchildrenstheater.org/creative-clubhouse/story/proud-read-aloud-they-she-he-me/>

Read Jacob's Room to Choose with Ania Upstill!

<https://www.nycchildrenstheater.org/creative-clubhouse/story/proud-read-aloud-jacobs-room-choose/>

Read Auntie Uncle with Eric Gelb!

<https://www.nycchildrenstheater.org/creative-clubhouse/story/proud-read-aloud-auntie-uncle/>

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## Personal Growth & Professional Development

### The Transgender Training Institute

<https://www.transgendertraininginstitute.com>

*The Transgender Training Institute are a team of transgender and non-binary educators who facilitate professional development and personal growth trainings. They provide tailored trainings for a wide range of clients, and also offer webinars and classes for individuals. All of their content is facilitated by our team of transgender and non-binary educators, so you are always learning directly from –and financially supporting– transgender and non-binary community members.*

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## Educators

### GLSEN

<https://www.glsen.org>

*Every student has the right to a safe, supportive, and LGBTQ-inclusive K-12 education. GLSEN is a national network of educators, students, and local GLSEN Chapters working to make this right a reality.*

GLSEN has a vast amount of resources for educators and we encourage you to explore all they have to offer. Below are a few of the resources we want to highlight.



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### Lesson Plans

<https://www.glsen.org/resources/educator-resources#snt--3>

Implementing GLSEN's free lesson plans and resources can help students develop the skills to interact in our diverse world with greater respect, empathy, and understanding.

Incorporate our lessons, found below, to:

- Foster respect and understanding
- Promote LGBTQ visibility and affirmation
- Improve school climate
- Build leadership
- Encourage ally behavior

Ready for LGBTQ-specific lessons? Explore GLSEN's LGBTQ-inclusive curricular resources.

### LGBTQ+ History

<http://live-glsen-website.pantheonsite.io/lgbtq-history>

For all of us, learning an LGBTQ-inclusive curriculum can help us better understand our world and our differences. For LGBTQ students in particular, it can mean feeling safer at school and hearing homophobic and transphobic remarks less frequently, according to [GLSEN research](#). That's why we're sharing the resources below, from an interactive timeline and coloring book to many other classroom resources.

### Woke Kindergarten

*"All power to the little people"*

<https://www.wokekindergarten.org>

*Woke Kindergarten supports children, families, educators and organizations in their commitment to abolitionist early education and pro-black and queer and trans liberation.*

**Woke Kindergarten** has a vast amount of resources for young people and educators and we encourage you to explore all they have to offer. Below are a few of the resources we want to highlight.

### 60 Sec Texts

<https://www.wokekindergarten.org/60-sec-texts>

Big concepts for little people in 60 seconds!



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### **Woke Read Alouds**

<https://www.wokekindergarten.org/woke-read-alouds>

Read with Ki and explore different stories, identities and experiences!

### **Whatchu Mean?!**

<https://www.wokekindergarten.org/whatchu-mean>

Resources for educators on how to support students in the classroom!