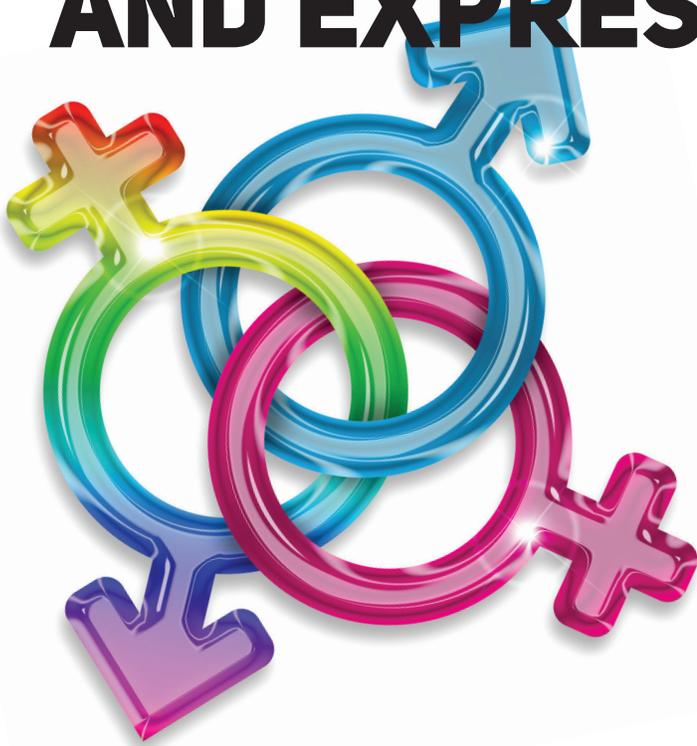


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TRANSLATING GENDER IDENTITY AND EXPRESSION



A PRIMER FOR EDUCATORS

Children are 'coming out' as trans* much earlier than in years past. It is no longer uncommon for a pre-school, elementary, middle or high school child to identify with a gender that is different from the sex they were assigned at birth. As a result, more students are making social transitions from one gender to another or expressing their gender identities in behaviors that don't fit neatly into one box or another. Even schools that are demonstrably open and affirming may have questions about policies, protocols, and day to day situations that may arise with other students or parents, within the school environment or in the community at large.

Using interactive, small group exercises, experiential techniques and a respectful approach to differences of belief and background, this workshop will enable participants to:

- Differentiate between sex, gender identity, gender expression and orientation
- Explore strategies through which teachers, administrators and school support staff at all school levels can help ensure that the school climate is safe and affirming for students of all genders and orientations
- Develop appropriate responses to questions from other students, caregivers or community members
- Interrupt intolerance, meanness or bullying on the basis of actual or perceived gender identity, expression or sexual orientation

**The asterisk represents the idea that individual experiences of gender identity and expression are unique. Each individual has the right to use the language and description that feels like a best fit.*

Wednesday, May 20, 2015

4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Sheraton Hartford South, Rocky Hill

Presenters: Robin McHalen, Director, True Colors, Inc. and Lori Davison, President, PFLAG Hartford and high school teacher

Registration and food/drink refreshments begin at 4:00 p.m.

Registration may be limited and will fill up quickly. Go to "Upcoming Events" at www.cea.org.

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