



Frequently Asked Questions

What type of school is it?

It is a private, non-profit virtual high school serving grades 9-12. We are managed by a Board of Directors from across the country. We are a 501(c)3 tax-exempt non-profit corporation.

When can I start?

The school begins operating in early 2010. Students may start any time throughout the year, including summers.

How much does it cost?

Full-time tuition is \$5900 for the 2009-2010 school year. Part-time enrollment costs \$525/semester course. In some cases, the student's local school district may pay the tuition costs.

Are there scholarships available?

We are seeking funders for full and partial scholarships. Other scholarship sources may be available.

Will colleges and universities accept GLBTQ OHS credits?

Yes. We guarantee it. We will work with the colleges and universities to ensure credits are accepted.

Do you accept part-time students?

Yes. Students may participate on a full-time or part-time basis. Part-time students have full access to all school services.

Do you accept donations?

Definitely! We accept credit card donations via our website. Checks can be mailed to the school. For in-kind donations, please contact Dave Glick, Executive Director.

What if I have more questions?

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The world's first online high school designed for students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender or questioning their sexuality or gender.

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GLBTQ students deserve a safe, high-quality school too!

Although some high schools do admirable work with their GLBTQ students, many do not.

Many GLBTQ students experience extraordinary challenges in high school. According to a recent study by GLSEN, the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network:

- 86.2% of GLBT students reported being verbally harassed, 44.1% reported being physically harassed and 22.1% reported being physically assaulted at school in the past year.
- 73.6% heard derogatory remarks such as “faggot” or “dyke” frequently or often at school.
- 31.7% of GLBT students missed a class and 32.7% missed a day of school in the past month because of feeling unsafe.
- The reported grade point average of students who were more frequently harassed because of their sexual orientation or gender expression was almost half a grade lower than for students who were less often harassed (2.4 versus 2.8).

It doesn't have to be that way!



Imagine a school where you can be you.

Where your friends share similar experiences and similar questions.

Where you can get a high quality education while receiving comprehensive support from adults and peers.

Where all staff members really want to work with you. Because of who you are.

Even if you're not sure.

Who are we?

GLBTQ Online High School is founded, managed and advised by a nationwide group of educators and other experts. We have expertise in GLBTQ issues, virtual schooling, human rights, global education, and many other areas.

Our Advisory Board includes:

Jenn Burleton, Executive Director, TransActive
David Carlson, Asst. Prof. Education, AZ State Univ.
Clair Farley, San Fran. LGBT Community Center
Kelly Huegel, author “The Survival Guide for Queer & Questioning Teens”
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Emily Kornblut, Global Education Consultant
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Brian McNaught, GLBT Corporate Trainer & Author
Gene Meier, Superintendent, Fort Washakie HS
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And more...

What makes us unique?

We are the world's first online school designed specifically to meet the needs of GLBTQ students:

- *Our school is a safe and supportive learning community for all GLBTQ students.*
- *Our curriculum is GLBTQ-friendly and acknowledges the contributions of the GLBTQ individuals in all fields of study.*
- *We provide support services and connect students and families to additional community resources.*
- *We understand and embrace the challenges of students and families as they move through the often difficult time of GLBTQ adolescence.*

What is an online high school?

Also called a virtual school, an online high school uses Internet-based text and multimedia tools to provide curriculum and to allow teachers and students to communicate. Students can work from home, a public library, a school or anywhere there is Internet access.

Does that mean that the computer is teaching the kids?

Emphatically, no! The computer provides the curriculum and the communication tools. Real teachers are at the other end assisting via phone, chat, discussion boards and other tools.

Is this legitimate?

Absolutely. Virtual high schools have existed in the U.S. since 1996. In 2007-08, over a million high school students participated in online courses. A recent study determined that half of all high school courses will be online by 2015.