

Dear Upstander,

Yesterday marked a sad day for citizens of Florida. Despite the protests in large numbers, the Florida Senate passed the "Don't Say Gay Bill" which bans teachers from discussing sexual orientation or gender identity "...in kindergarten through grade 3 or in a manner that is not age appropriate or developmentally appropriate for students in accordance with state standards." The bill is unclear and vague in its limitations, leaving interpretation to extend to all grade levels.

Why should we be concerned? This bill scares people into spewing hate and discrimination at the LGBTQ+ community. Not only are Florida students prevented from learning about diversity and inclusion, but those with LGBTQ+ parents are also taught to conceal their family's identities, placing shame on them during a critical developmental stage.

As the CoFounder & CEO of the Tyler Clementi Foundation, I feel it is important to state that this moment of regression will only increase bullying behaviors directed to LGBTQ+ parents and students if we do not [act now!](#)

Vibrant communities should never be feared or erased!

Help us to continue to create learning environments that are inclusive and celebrate diversity - [ACT NOW!](#)

By donating to our programs, you are investing in our mission to bring an end to online and offline bullying in schools across the nation.

Your support can allow us to introduce our social-emotional learning programs, such as [#Day1](#), to schools in Florida.

With your help, we can create inclusive spaces where differences are celebrated and all students can thrive.

Jane Clementi

CoFounder, CEO, and Mother of Tyler

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