

# FINE BY ME PROJECT

March 28, 2006

Dear students and faculty,

On Friday, April 28, the GSAs of Newton North and Newton South will join the growing list of schools nationwide who are participating in the **Fine By Me™** project. **Fine By Me™** originated at Duke University (then identified by the *Princeton Review* as the most homophobic school in the nation) when a former Newton South graduate named Lucas Schaefer, along with ten of his classmates, created a program designed to combat homophobia. They created t-shirts printed with this slogan: "gay? fine by me." They offered these shirts for free to Duke students. Within minutes, the shirts were snapped up. As students wore the shirts regularly, Duke began to develop a different culture. Since that time, Duke is no longer famed for its homophobia – in fact, it is regularly touted as being a leader in human and civil rights. Hoping to replicate Duke's success, the students in the Newton high school GSAs are looking to foster an environment of greater respect for *all* humans.

Our GSAs hope to purchase approximately 600 of these t-shirts and distribute them free of charge (while the supplies last) to any student in the high schools who requests one. The shirts will cost approximately \$6.00 to produce, and so the two GSAs are now embarking on an ambitious campaign drive. We're looking for volunteers to "adopt" a t-shirt that will then be given away for free to a student. If you're interested in adopting a t-shirt, please complete the following form and return it along with your donation (either cash or check payable to the City of Newton) to Lorene Shapiro in Adams house.

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I would like to adopt \_\_\_\_\_ t-shirt(s) at \$6.00 per shirt to be given away on Friday, April 28 and would like to be acknowledged as the sponsor of the t-shirt on a tag attached to the shirt itself that says:

\_\_\_\_\_ "Your t-shirt was donated by YOUR NAME "

\_\_\_\_\_ "Your t-shirt was donated by an anonymous benefactor"

I would like to make a donation of *less than \$6.00* to help partially fund a t-shirt that will be given away on Friday, April 28 and would like to be acknowledged as the sponsor of the t-shirt on a tag attached to the shirt itself that says:

\_\_\_\_\_ "Your t-shirt was donated by YOUR NAME "

\_\_\_\_\_ "Your t-shirt was donated by an anonymous benefactor"

I would like to purchase my own t-shirt. Please order me a size

\_\_\_\_\_ Extra small (\$6.00)

\_\_\_\_\_ Small (\$6.00)

\_\_\_\_\_ Medium (\$6.00)

\_\_\_\_\_ Large (\$6.00)

\_\_\_\_\_ Extra Large (\$6.00)

\_\_\_\_\_ Double Extra Large (\$8.00)

**PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT DONATED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

HOUSE (if NNHS employee): \_\_\_\_\_ Adams \_\_\_\_\_ Barry \_\_\_\_\_ Beals \_\_\_\_\_ Riley

BUSINESS ADDRESS (if non-NNHS employee) \_\_\_\_\_

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