

What is an LGBT Safe Zone?

A Safe Zone sticker indicates a "safe space" for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered people, or members of LGBT families, to be themselves and share their thoughts, feelings, and identities.

The person displaying a Safe Zone sticker...

- is indicating that within this room or office, homophobic and heterosexist actions, comments, or put-downs will not be tolerated silently, but instead will be addressed in an educational and nonthreatening manner
- is expressing that she or he embraces diversity and believes LGBT individuals should be valued and respected members of this learning community
- is trustworthy, supportive, and sensitive to the needs and concerns of LGBT people, their friends, and family
- is comfortable discussing LGBT issues with others
- is knowledgeable about resources available to LGBT individuals and families
- is willing and able to refer someone to the appropriate resources if she or he does not have the answers or is unable to assist personally

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