

Inclusive Education

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Suggestion: [Provide accessible, gender-neutral toilets](#)

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Understand threats to wellbeing

Design toilets with physical and emotional safety in mind.

Many LGBTQIA+ students:

- have experienced verbal slurs relating to gender identity
- are worried about threats of physical harm or harassment
- feel uncomfortable getting changed in front of others
- are unable to access a space aligned to their gender identity
- “hold on” or have to travel longer distances to get to assigned safe spaces
- need to change in spaces with peers who have caused harassment.

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