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**Youth Pride Inc.**

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### **SCOTUS Not Hearing Grimm Case**

The Supreme Court announced today that it would not hear Gloucester County School Board v. G.G, a major case on transgender rights. In a one-sentence order, the Supreme Court vacated an appeals court decision in favor of a Virginia transgender boy, Gavin Grimm, and sent the case back for further consideration in light of the new guidance from the administration. The Fourth Circuit originally ruled in favor of Grimm in his case challenging the Gloucester County School Board's decision to force him to use a separate, single-stall restroom that no other student is required to use.

YPI is currently working diligently by engaging our state and local leaders to determine the best course of action to maintain protections for our transgender students in the wake of the Trump Administration's rescinding of federal guidance on transgender rights and protections. We share in our community's disappointment that the Court has chosen not to hear the case at this time. It is our hope that the lower court will reach the right decision.

Currently, transgender students are still protected under Title IX and in Rhode Island under state anti-discrimination law and as included under the RI Safe Schools Act. Anyone in need of resources, support and guidance is always welcome to contact staff at Youth Pride

#### **About Youth Pride Inc.**

Youth Pride, Inc (YPI) is an affirming space for lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer, and questioning young people to build community, develop connections and be themselves. YPI is dedicated to the unique needs of youth and young adults impacted by sexual orientation and gender identity/expression while working to end the homophobic and transphobic environments in which they live, work and play. We also provide professional development and training for youth service workers, social service organizations and schools so that they have the information and resources to treat all youth with respect and dignity.