

Student Survey on Homophobia (PHF)

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This survey is totally confidential. You do not have to tell your teachers or anyone else what you write on it. Please do not write your name and address on the form. We will never know who filled in the questionnaire so you can say what you want. PLEASE BE HONEST.

Homophobia is fear or dislike of people who are lesbian, gay or bisexual (LGB). It can affect anyone who is thought to be lesbian, gay or bisexual or who may simply be seen as different.

Homophobia can range from passive resentment to active victimisation for example calling someone names, sending abusive texts, or teasing someone in an unpleasant way or being violent to someone. The person doing it may use words like poof, queer, lezzie, dyke, faggot, batty man. They may also use the words 'gay' to describe something that they don't like or something that they think is stupid or to bully someone.

Remember, you DO NOT have to be gay, lesbian or bisexual to experience homophobia or homophobic bullying. Someone may say these things to you to be unpleasant even though you aren't gay or lesbian.

1. Please read the description of homophobic bullying above. Have you seen any student being homophobically bullied at your school in the last six months?

- No
- Yes once
- 2-5 times
- 6-10 times
- More than 10 times

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2. If you have seen a student being homophobicly bullied please tell us what you did? (tick as many as you need)

- I've never seen anyone being bullied like this
- I spoke to the person being bullied
- I joined in
- I did nothing
- I stuck up for the person being bullied
- I verbally had a 'go' at the person doing the bullying
- I physically had a 'go' at the person doing the bullying
- I found it funny
- I felt bad about it, but did not do or say anything
- I talked to friends about it
- I told my mum/dad or carer
- I told a member of staff
- I rang a helpline
- I told a youth worker

I told someone else or did something else. Please tell us what you did?

3. Has a student ever homophobicly bullied you at your school in the last year?

- No
- Yes

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4. If you have been homophobicly bullied at your school please tell us what you did?

- I've never been bullied like this
- I did nothing
- I told the person doing the bullying to stop it
- I talked to friends about it
- I told a member of staff
- I told my mum/dad or carer(s)
- I verbally had a 'go' at the person doing the bullying
- I physically had a 'go' at the person doing the bullying
- I rang a helpline
- I told a youth worker
- I told someone else

I did something else. Please tell us what you did?

5. If you have seen or experienced homophobic bullying at school, where has it taken place? (tick as many as you need)

- Classroom with a member of staff present
- Classroom with no member of staff present
- Corridors with a member of staff present
- Corridors with no member of staff present
- Playground with a member of staff present
- Playground with no member of staff present
- Outside school, eg on the way to and from school

6. In the last year, have you heard a member of staff in your school say or do anything homophobic (eg making jokes, using unpleasant names)?

- No
- Yes

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7. Have you seen a student be stopped or disciplined for homophobic bullying in your school in the last year?

- No
- Yes

8. Do you think it is OK to use the word 'gay' to describe something you dislike?

- No
- Yes

9. During the academic year have you heard the term 'gay' being used in a negative manner in school by students?

- Never
- Once a day
- Once a week
- Once a month

10. During the academic year have you heard the term 'gay' being used in a negative manner in the school by staff?

- Never
- Once a day
- Once a week
- Once a month

11. Do you feel that homophobic bullying has affected your

	No	A Bit	Quite a Lot	Totally
Ability to Achieve	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social Life	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Friendships	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emotional Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

12. Have you ever felt like not coming to school because of homophobic bullying?

- No
- Yes

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13. Have you ever not come to school because of homophobic bullying?

- No
- Yes

14. Do you know anyone who has not been to school because of homophobic bullying?

- No
- Yes

15. Do you know if your school has any rules or policies about homophobia or homophobic bullying?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

If you answered yes, what are the rules?

16. Has homophobia been discussed by staff in your school in the last year?

- Yes
- No

Please tell us which lessons or where it was?

17. Have lesbian, gay or bisexual people been discussed by staff in your school in the last year?

- Yes
- No

Please tell us in which lessons or where it was?

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18. What do you think of students who homophobically bully others?

	They are very wrong to do it	They are wrong to do it	They are not wrong to do it	They are not at all wrong to do it
Students who homophobically bully	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Comments

19. How safe do you think your school is for someone who is lesbian, gay or bisexual?

	Very Safe	Quite Safe	Not Very Safe	Dangerous
Safety	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

20. Do you think more should be done about homophobic bullying in your school?

- Yes
- No

21. Would you find it easy to talk to a member of staff about lesbian, gay or bisexual issues?

	Very Difficult	A Bit Difficult	Quite Easy	Very Easy
Talking to a member of staff	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

22. Would you find it easy to talk to other students about lesbian, gay and bisexual issues such as civil partnerships, gay adoption, lesbian and gay parents?

	Very Difficult	A Bit Difficult	Quite Easy	Very Easy
Talking to other students	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

23. Could you be friends with a young person who is lesbian, gay or bisexual?

- Yes
- No

24. Do you think information about lesbian, gay or bisexual people should be discussed in your school?

- Yes
- No

If yes, how and when should this happen?

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25. What do you think can be done to create a more safe and supportive environment in school for lesbian, gay and bisexual students, staff, parents and carers in this school?

26. Are you?

Male

Female

27. How old are you?

28. Is there anything we haven't asked that you would like to say regarding homophobia in schools, or anything you would like to say about lesbian, gay and bisexual issues in school?

Thank you for completing this form. Your answers are CONFIDENTIAL.

Don't forget if you want to talk to someone about homophobia either phone Childline 0800 1111 or check out www.childline.org.uk