

## Supporting LGTBQ+ Students through the Curriculum

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## FAIR Education Act – EC 51204.5

- Took effect on January 1, 2012
- Expanded the inclusion of the contributions of various groups in California and U.S. History to include LGTBQ+ Americans.
- EC 51501 prohibits the inclusion in instructional materials of matter that adversely reflects on persons because of sexual orientation.
- EC 60040 Adopt instructional materials that "accurately portray the cultural and racial diversity of our society."

## History-Social Science Framework

- 2016 Framework
- Include contributions of LGTBQ+ Americans
- Applies to grades 1 through 12
  - Primarily grades 4, 5, 8, 11, and 12
- Textbook Adoption
- Supplemental Materials

## The California Healthy Youth Act

- Requires comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education at least once in high school and once in middle school.
- All instruction and materials must be inclusive of LGTBQ+ students.
- Instruction shall affirmatively recognize that people have different sexual orientations and, when discussing or providing examples of relationships and couples, must be inclusive of same-sex relationships.
- Instruction must also teach students about gender, gender expression, gender identity, and explore the harm of negative gender stereotypes.