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A symposium for our times, a program in support of our educational future

The 2025 SNEP edition

In many places across the United States, including historic "blue" communities, pressure from the federal government, state governments, and local communities have pushed back against diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) and the very notion that all Americans are equal under the law.

No place has this been seen more clearly than in education with efforts to ignore, remove, reject, and rewrite reality and truth, replaced by a white supremacist, male dominated, Christian-evangelical, history more aligned with 1850 than 2025.

Knowledge is power. It is also protection and the best tool to move our society forward in the face of revisionist history. It is for that reason Stonewall National Museum, Archives, & Library is hosting a 2025 symposium focused on action at every level of our national education system. At a time when our government seeks to close down the Department of Education, ensure that gay, Black, woman, indigenous, minority, disabilities, trans, and other segments of our diverse population disappear from our lexicon, we must codify as much as possible the way to fight back and restore accurate, factual, and a broad based understanding of history to our nation, its schools, and its people.

No one should be left out and no government should marginalize its citizens.

As an organization our focus is on the LGBTQ+ community. Knowing that every community is represented in the LGBTQ+ world, it is an appropriate place to start. Every targeted group, every majority group is represented under the Rainbow Flag.

The focus of this 3-day symposium is to create a national plan of action, to best serve students, families, and the public. To create a program that will demand media attention, which is immediately actionable, and that gives hope and courage to all those who are fearful and lost as the attacks persist.

We announce this 14th symposium, although very different from those of the past, during the first week of the 55th anniversary of the first Pride (1970-2025), as a reminder that our community has a lot to be proud of and will continue making unequaled contributions to our world.

Stonewall will offer partial and full scholarships to this symposium. Scholarships might include travel, hotel accommodation, meals, and other costs related to your participation.

To apply: Send an email to robert@stonewall-museum.org
Include your name, organization, position, location, and why you are interested, and what you bring to the table.

Let us know if you need a scholarship and if so to cover what costs.

The symposium will be held at the Stonewall National Museum, Archives, & Library in Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Dates: October 23-26, 2025

- **Thursday, October 23rd**: Attend our BACK to the DRIVE fundraising event for educational programs (as our guest)
- **Friday, October 24th**: Sessions begin with a focus on the problems we face in education, student protections, historic accuracy, community building.
- Breakout groups to tackle specific issues.
- Media
- Local and national community building
- Teachers and administrator's roles/parents and community leaders' roles
- **Saturday, October 25th**: Addressing solutions and putting them into an actionable plan.
- Breakout groups taking on the solutions to identified problems or conflicts.
- Draft actionable and realistic goals
- Come together and put together a plan of action for the nation, community by community.
- **Sunday, October 26th**: Review documents and draft a letter calling for support and a proclamation of intent from the group. Review potential next steps.

Please let us know of your interest and planned attendance by August 15, 2025