

# 16th Annual GLSEN Boston Conference

## Building Respect – Empowering Youth

### GLSEN BOSTON

The Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network of Boston seeks to bring together teachers of all grade levels from early childhood through college, students, administrators parents, counselors, school staff and community members to create school and communities that are truly inclusive and safe for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning youth and adults. Many of our workshops this year will focus on helping participants find the words, the curriculum, the ideas and the means to create meaningful changes. Our goal is to provide participants with information and tools which they can bring back to their schools to ensure that each member of their school community feels valued, respected and free from fears as they pursue their educational goals.

#### Who?

Educators, high school, middle school and college students, parents, administrators, counselors, coaches, youth leaders, policy makers, religious leaders and everyone who is committed to creating safety and teaching respect for all in our schools and communities.

#### Why?

- ✓ Network with other educators and students from around the northeast.
- ✓ Gain skills and information to create more inclusive school communities.
- ✓ Learn how to address harassment and homophobic comments.
- ✓ Build alliances with administrators, parents and community members.
- ✓ Gather ideas and materials for your classroom and school community.

**Keynote Speaker**     **Anthony Rapp**, actor, musician and author, star of *RENT*

#### Workshops

- more than 50 workshops on topics such as:
- Responding to Homophobic Comments in Your School
- Ideas for Making Your GSA Strong
- Finding a Role as a Straight Ally
- Legal Protections for Teachers and Students
- Understanding Transgender Issues
- How to Be Inclusive When Teaching Family Unites at the Elementary Level
- Using Theater as a Way to Explore GLBT Issues in Schools
- Making the Link Between Homophobia and Other Forms of Oppression
- Working With the Concerns of Parents and Other Community Members:
- Creating a Respectful Dialogue
- Working with Administrators to Create a Climate of Respect and Inclusion

#### Program

8:00 .....	Registration and Coffee
9:00 .....	Welcoming Remarks
10:00 - 11:20 .....	Workshop A
11:30 - 12:30 .....	Lunch & Networking
12:30 – 1:30 .....	Keynote Speaker, <b>Anthony Rapp</b>
1:40 - 2:40	Workshop B
2:50 - 3:50 .....	Workshop C
4:00 - 4:40 .....	Entertainment, Closing Reception

#### Registration

Register on line at  
[www.glsenboston.org](http://www.glsenboston.org)

GLSEN Boston will not accept any registration mailed after April 18, 2006.

After April 15th, on-site registration will be available

#### Fax to:

617-236-0334

#### Mail to:

GLSEN Boston Conference  
 29 Stanhope Street  
 Boston, MA 02116

GLSEN Members ...	@ \$70 =	\$	- Costs cover tuition for the conference, coffee and bagels at check in and a hot lunch. - <b>10% discount for 5 or more educators from one school.</b>  <b>Don't let money stand in the way!</b> Contact us for discounts and fundraising ideas.  Please contact us ahead of time for any accessibility accommodations that may be needed for our guests with disabilities.
Non-Members ...	@ \$75 =	\$	
Middle and H.S. Students (subsidized)	@ \$12 =	\$	
College Students ...	@ \$35 =	\$	
Attending Keynote Only	@ \$15 =	\$	
Special GSA Group Prices		\$	
1 advisor + up to 5 students = \$200		\$	
2 advisors + up to 10 students = \$300		\$	
Sponsor a Student with a donation of:		\$	
\$10   \$25   \$50   \$100   Other\$		\$	
Number of Attendees =		Total Cost	

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