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Rapid Response Meeting



The Protest

- **Mass nationwide coordinated protests**
 - Protests planned in front of legislature and schools
- **Targeting 2SLGBTQIA+ community**
 - Protesting teaching inclusive “woke” content
 - Claims of indoctrinating children
 - Calling for a ban on gender-affirming medical interventions
- **Cloaked in protecting children**
 - Attack on gender identity and gender expression

Our Counter Protest

Allies need to come together and say Enough is enough!

- We will not tolerate hate, intolerance or indoctrination in any form from any camp
- We must organize and match this hate with peaceful, thoughtful counterprotests
- We must have rapid response teams ready to combat hate

We must be co-conspirators and there for the 2SLGBTQIA+ community and all oppressed groups.



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Rapid Response Teams

- **Confront the hate groups**
 - Are prepared to organize and mobilize, and to respond quickly to planned protests or hate events targeting vulnerable communities
 - Communicate problems to other allies
- **Promote positive message and counter events**
 - Support the fights across the province that are already underway
 - Plan events to spread truth
 - Amplify messages as allies
- **Prepare for a major escalation**
 - Build capacity in every part of the province



Plan a Protest

- Share the information with your network
- Confirm attendance
- Make signs & posters
- Communicate details with the group
- Arrive 30 minutes before planned protest
- Have megaphone/mic, music, flags, posters, banners, chant sheets
- Have petition, clipboards and pens





Stay safe, Stay positive

- **Stay with a buddy**
- **Do not engage in conflict**
- **Keep a safe distance**
- **Focus on your positive message**
- **Do respect all laws**
- **Try to de-escalate whenever possible**
- **Take up space**

Safer Protest Resources

- **OFL - An Activist's Guide To Safer Protesting**
- **Canadian Anti-Hate Network - Guide for Pride Defenders**
- **CAHN - Confronting and Preventing Hate in Canadian Schools**
- **Egale - Pride Safety Toolkit 2.0**
- **GSA Network - Pride & Protest - Safety Tips for LGBTQ+ Youth**





Next Steps

- 1. Plan a debrief meeting**
- 2. Maintain communication with contact list**
- 3. Continue talking to and recruiting new members for your Rapid Response team**
- 4. Be vigilant for other hate events that you can disrupt**
- 5. Join counter protests planned by other organizations**

Crisis / Helplines

- **LGBT National Hotline:**

<https://www.lgbthotline.org/> 1-888-843-4564

- **Trans Lifeline:**

<https://translifeline.org/> 1-877-330-6366

- **LGBT Youthline:**

<https://www.youthline.ca/> 1-800-268-9688

- **Hope for Wellness Helpline (for Indigenous People):**

<https://www.hopeforwellness.ca/> 1-855-242-3310

