76% of LGBTQ Youth in Iowa have been harassed or assaulted in the past year.

1 IN 4 LGBTQ students of color missed at least one day of school due to not feeling safe.

40% of all homeless youth identify as LGBTQ. Many are homeless due to rejection at home or rejection in the foster care system.

40% of LGBTQ youth have seriously considered suicide in 2020. This number increases when LGBTQ youth of color are asked.

JOIN THE FIGHT FOR LGBTQ YOUTH
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JOIN THE MOVEMENT
Join the movement by going to www.iowasafeschools.org and signing up for the Spirit Awards on October 22nd. This is a great opportunity to learn more and help support this work.

EDUCATE YOURSELF
Go to www.safeschoolsacademy.org and sign up for an online class. You can even become a Certified School Culture Advocate and receive recognition for your educational efforts.

START A GSA
Gay-Straight Alliances or Gender-Sexuality Alliances (GSAs) are life saving student organizations in schools. They are 100% student led and student initiated. If you know a student who is interested in starting a GSA, connect with us at www.iowasafeschools.org

EXAMINE YOUR POLICIES
What are the policies and practices at your organization? Iowa Safe Schools provides workplace training for staff and administration on creating welcoming environments. By creating safe spaces in work places, LGBTQ youth will have a path to future careers. For more information go to www.iowasafeschools.org