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Change California

GSA Network encourages students to get involved in changing California by advocating for student rights in state legislation, advocating for implementation of the current non-discrimination law, and engaging in a variety of different activities each year, including calling and writing letters to your legislators, attending our GSA Advocacy & Youth Leadership Academy and Queer Youth Advocacy Day, and joining our Statewide Advocacy Council.

You can change California! Here?s how:

1. **Get Involved in the Political System**
   Stand Up & Speak Out

[1] is our guide for how you can get involved in the political process right now!

2. **Attend an Event**
   Attending and participating in GSA Advocacy & Youth Leadership Academy (GAYLA [2]) and Queer Youth Advocacy Day (QYAD [3]) will enter you into our advocacy pipeline of students and make you eligible to become a member of our Statewide Advocacy Council [4].

3. **Change Laws**
   GSA Network and youth like you have helped shape the law in California by working to secure the passage of a number of state laws related to schools. Check out a history of our work to Change the Law. [5] You can also make your voice through our Legislative Actions, which teach you how to call, write letters, or email your legislators.

4. **Change Policies**
   We are currently working to change administrative policy related to transgender and gender non-conforming students at the state level with both the California Department of Education and the California School Boards Association. Learn how you can help us in our work to Change Policy [6] throughout California. Let us know if you have experienced harassment or discrimination at your school and filed a complaint, or if your school policy complies with state law. We can work together to ensure the California Department of Education enforces the law.

5. **Learn about our Statewide Coalitions**
   GSA Network works to promote safety, health, and educational equity for LGBT youth through several statewide coalitions [7] including the California Safe Schools Coalition, the Campaign for Quality Education, and the LGBT Health and Human Services Network.

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