

# ONE STATE ONE SILENCE

**Statewide Conference  
February 29, 2008  
Youth Pride, Inc.  
Providence, RI**

**Think Justice. TAKE ACTION.**

# **Agenda**

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| <b>4:00-4:15 pm</b> | <b>Registration</b>              |
| <b>4:15-4:35 pm</b> | <b>Icebreakers</b>               |
| <b>4:35-5:15 pm</b> | <b>Introduction and Speakers</b> |
| <b>5:15-6:00 pm</b> | <b>Activity #1</b>               |
| <b>6:00-6:15 pm</b> | <b>Pizza/ Break</b>              |
| <b>6:15-7:00 pm</b> | <b>Activity #2</b>               |
| <b>7:00-7:15 pm</b> | <b>Closing</b>                   |
| <b>7:15-7:30 pm</b> | <b>Evaluations</b>               |

# **GSA Planning**

Define or explain what the words “justice” and “action” mean to you in just a few words. Then, go around the table and share your definitions.

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ACTION:

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# **Activity One: Brainstorming** **“Think Justice”**

*Did you know:* 56,800 is the number of times you’ll hear a homophobic slur by the time you graduate from high school!

Imagine the ideal school environment and educational experience for lgbtqq youth and their allies. Use the space below to illustrate or write about this ideal. Be as imaginative and creative as possible!





# **Activity Two: GSA Planning** **“Take Action”**

Planning your Day of Silence:  
What are you going to do BEFORE the Day of Silence?

| <b><u>Task</u></b>                    | <b><u>By When</u></b>     | <b><u>Who’s Doing It</u></b> | <b><u>Done</u></b> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Come to One State<br>One Silence!     | February 29 <sup>th</sup> | Everyone!                    |                    |
| Order shirts                          |                           |                              |                    |
| Speaking Cards                        |                           |                              |                    |
| Advertisement                         |                           |                              |                    |
| Planning a Break the<br>Silence event |                           |                              |                    |
| Timeline                              |                           |                              |                    |
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# **Activity Two: GSA Planning** **“Take Action”**

Planning your Day of Silence:  
What are you going to do ON THE DAY?

- What will you do in the face of adversity?

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- What did/didn't work last year?

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- What should be done again next year?

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- What are you doing to Break the Silence? (don't forget, YPI is having a dance on the day, April 25<sup>th</sup>)

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# **Activity Two: GSA Planning** **“Take Action”**

Planning your Day of Silence:  
What are you going to do AFTER the Day?

- How are you going to keep the message going and keep people active in the GSA?

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- How will you/do you advertise for your GSA?

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→Don't forget to mail in your participation cards or call YPI to let us know how many people participated in the Day of Silence at your school!

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# **UPCOMING EVENTS AT YPI!!!**

## **BREAKING THE SILENCE DANCE**

**Wednesday April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**Time and place TO BE ANNOUNCED! STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFO!  
Come celebrate the Day of Silence with youth from throughout the state!**

**There will be a DJ, games and refreshments.  
For more information, e-mail [GSA@youthprideri.org](mailto:GSA@youthprideri.org)**

## **FIRST CLASS OF THE OUTSPOKEN PLAYAZ**

**Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008**

**10am-4pm**

**Lunch will be provided**

**Come join the new class to learn public speaking skills and use your voice for change!**

## **YPI OPEN HOUSE**

**Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**5:30pm-7:30pm**

**At YPI: 171 Chestnut Street**

**All are welcome!**

# **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

## **YPI drop-in center:**

**171 CHESTNUT STREET  
PROVIDENCE, RI 02903  
Phone: (401) 421-5626  
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**Drop-in Center Hours:  
Monday – Friday 12pm-8pm**

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