The Importance and the Question

- LGB Youth are 3.5 times more likely to die from suicide than heterosexual peers
- Trans youth are 5.87 times more likely to die by suicide than their peers
- LGBT students who receive non-inclusive and abstinence only sex-ed are more likely to feel unsafe at school (21.7% vs 15.2%)
- 92% of adolescent men diagnosed with HIV contracted it through male-to-male sexual contact

- Why are queer adolescents at more risk for STIs and suicide?
- How is sex education benefitting queer adolescents?
- How can we improve?
Methodology

- Literature review of analyses of sex education
- Literature review of queer theory
- Case studies of the burgeoning inclusive and comprehensive sex education classes
Theoretical Framework

- Queer Theory
- Queer Colonization
- Intersectionality
- Remembering the statistics of queer malignment
Results of Research

● The history of queer exclusion begins at colonization
● Queer students are still being taught in many states that their existence is wrong
● Those in inclusive school districts are still not taught how to be safe
● Ignoring queer identities and queer safety in schools increases bullying and hate crimes
Solution

- Designed for and by queer people
- Creation of a globally inclusive curriculum
- Acknowledges sex beyond pregnancy and marriage
- Includes accurate and comprehensive information about sex and gender beyond binary

