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Detransition Awareness Day

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Lynn

Thank you for the email. I have taken time to reply to make sure I comply with our Equity Policy and follow our procedures.

People who transition genders in any direction are recognized on national coming out day and during Pride month. We would, of course, support someone transitioning in any direction. Centering transitioning gender as damaging does not align with the EWSD Equity Policy's requirement of being LGBTQIA+ affirming. This particular frame on gender transition -- moving from a trans status to a status of gender assigned at birth because of damage done -- is not something we would center. Instead, we would support any person transitioning for any reason through the current days and structures we recognize and be supportive of their transition by recognizing the gender to which they identify. Detransition can be hurtful to transgender people and youth. We want to meet their mental needs.

Regarding the book you suggest we add to our library, we have D-P3: Media Selection Procedure we follow. If you are interested in the form referred to in the procedure, please contact our high school librarian - Elizabeth Von Nagy, evonnagy@ewsd.org.

Sincerely, Beth

On Mon, Feb 6, 2023 at 9:51 AM Lynn Smith luspiano@gmail.com wrote: [Quoted text hidden]

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