Navigating Schools

1. GLSEN (Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network)

- Website: glsen.org
- GLSEN focuses on creating inclusive, safe, and affirming schools for LGBTQ+ students. They provide tools for parents, educators, and students, including model school policies, resources on LGBTQ+ student rights, and guides for combating bullying and discrimination.

2. HRC's Parents for Transgender Equality Council (Human Rights Campaign)

- Website: hrc.org
- The Human Rights Campaign offers a wealth of resources for parents of LGBTQ+ youth. They have specific guides for navigating school systems, advocating for inclusive policies, and addressing issues such as pronouns, dress codes, and access to facilities.

3. The Trevor Project

- Website: thetrevorproject.org
- While primarily a crisis and suicide prevention organization, The Trevor Project offers resources for parents, including tips on supporting LGBTQ+ youth, advocacy tools, and information on creating inclusive environments in schools.

4. Family Equality

- Website: family equality.org
- Family Equality provides resources and toolkits for families navigating schools and advocating for LGBTQ+ youth. They focus on helping families advocate for equal treatment, fair policies, and inclusive practices in educational settings.

5. National Center for Transgender Equality (NCTE)

- Website: <u>transequality.org</u>
- The NCTE offers guidance on how parents can support their transgender children, including school-related resources. They provide a comprehensive "Transgender Students' Rights Toolkit" for navigating gender identity policies, name changes, and bathroom access in schools.

6. SPLC's Learning for Justice (formerly Teaching Tolerance)

- Website: <u>learningforjustice.org</u>
- This resource offers materials to help parents and educators create affirming and inclusive environments for LGBTQ+ youth in schools. Their resources include guides on combating bias, fostering LGBTQ+ inclusion, and addressing bullying.

7. ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union)

- Website: https://www.aclu.org/documents/know-your-rights-lgbtq-students
- The ACLU provides resources and legal information on LGBTQ+ students' rights. They offer guides on topics such as dress codes, using chosen names and pronouns, and protection from discrimination in schools.