

What Is the Climate Like for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning (LGBTQ) Athletes and Coaches in Your School?

Directions: Indicate whether or not you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements. Base your response on your school athletic experience and your own opinions. Do not put your name on this survey.

		Strongly Agree	Agree	No opinion	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1	My team would welcome an openly LGBTQ teammate					
2.	I have heard teammates use anti-gay slurs or make derogatory comments about LGBTQ people					
3.	I have used anti-gay slurs or made a derogatory comment about LGBTQ people					
4.	I have spoken up to object to a teammate using an anti-gay slur or making a derogatory comment about LGBTQ people					
5.	I have an LGBTQ teammate or know someone on another team who is LGBTQ					
6.	I am comfortable having a LGBTQ teammate					
7.	I am comfortable having a LGBTQ coach					
8.	I have heard a coach try to motivate athletes by using an anti-gay slur or making derogatory comments about LGBTQ people					
9.	I have heard a coach stop athletes from using anti-gay slurs or making derogatory comments about LGBTQ people					
10.	I have heard teammates use anti-gay slurs to bait opponents during competition					

What else would you like to say about this topic?

Suggestions for Using the Athletic Climate Survey

1. School athletic directors can make arrangements for all athletic teams to take this climate survey. Completed surveys can be tallied and discussed with coaches and athletes. Based on the results of the survey, arrangements for a workshop on LGBTQ issues in athletes for coaches and athletes in your school can be made.
2. Individual coaches can have their teams complete the survey and then lead a discussion (or ask another staff member or the Gay Straight Alliance) about the results of the survey and how the team can create a safe and respectful climate for lesbian, gay, bisexual members.
3. The school Gay Straight Alliance can use the survey as a way to start a discussion with athletes and coaches about how to make athletics a safe and respectful place for LGBTQ students and coaches.

