

To Solano Community College Administration:

On Friday November 8th several members of Early College High School's Gender and Sexuality Alliance (GSA) attended the Solano College Student Equity Workgroup to give feedback about LGBTQ+ experiences on campus. One of the primary conversations that happened was about Gender Neutral Restrooms, a basic need for transgender and nonbinary students. We appreciate the signs up this school year directing students to the single gender neutral restroom in 1600 building, though some of them were vandalized with transphobic slurs and taken down. There are lots of opportunities to increase the available restrooms so that a student does not have to cross all the way across campus which can be difficult and time consuming. On November 12th, we went to each building to help identify these opportunities.

Current Gender Neutral Restrooms Offered

- 1600 Building has 1 restroom labeled "Unisex" but the lock on that restroom is often broken.
- 1200 Theatre has 2 gender neutral restrooms inside the dressing rooms, but sometimes if there is a show or a class using the restrooms they are inaccessible to students.
- 2700 Science Building has 2 gender neutral restrooms that are accessible.
- Tennis Court has gender neutral restroom that is always locked.

We've identified the following opportunities to increase the number of gender neutral restrooms. Staff at the meeting were very willing to give up a faculty restroom if they had two to allow one to be a student accessible gender neutral restroom. For buildings where it is not possible to create gender neutral restroom, maybe there could be a sign next to the gendered restrooms as to where the closest one is.

-1600 Building has 3 single stall student bathrooms that are currently gendered (1 labeled men's, 2 labeled women's) that should all be gender neutral since they are all single stall.

-1400 Building Lobby has 2 gendered staff restrooms which could both be gender neutral, one for staff and one for students.

-700 has a staff restroom that is accessible could be converted to gender neutral, the professors from 700 were at the meeting wanted to change it. Also the women's restroom sometimes the lock is broken and makes it so you can get locked in the restroom.

-500 Building has 2 gendered staff restrooms which could both be gender neutral, one for staff and one for students.

-400 Building has 2 gendered staff restrooms on each floor which could both be gender neutral, one for staff and one for students. It would be nice to have one on each floor so someone who cannot use the stairs won't have to wait for the elevator to use the restroom.

Thank you for considering making more opportunities.

On behalf of us and other GSA members,

