

QYA National Queer Youth Walkout

Email Template for Contacting Your School Administration

Note: There are variations available for whether you're a QYA volunteer or not; however they are nearly identical. This is simply for your ease of not worrying about changing specific wording.

For QYA Volunteers:

Hello (name(s)),

I'm a student at (school name) and a volunteer for Queer Youth Assemble, a nonprofit organization created to foster a queer youth led movement across the United States, and provide the resources and support for queer youth to create positive change in their communities.

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I'm emailing to notify you and invite you to join us. We will be meeting at the (location) at (1PM EST, convert to your own timezone) and staying there for 20 minutes. The more participants we have the more potential we have to combat the legislation. Together we are taking back queer youth autonomy one walkout at a time. At the time of the walkout, I will have resources available for students to learn, as well as information on how to contact representatives and other direct actions we can take.

For more information: visit our website <https://queeryouthassemble.org/>, Instagram @queeryouthassemble, or ask me. Let's keep doing the good work in solidarity!

Thank you for your time,
(name and pronouns)

For Non-QYA Volunteers

Hello (name(s)),

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