gender spectrum

Gender, Safety, and Schools

50% of elementary and middle school bullying incidents are based on gender or orientation slurs.

(Espelage 2009)

Attacks on manhood voiced as gay slurs have been part of all school shootings. ***Ninety percent*** *of school shootings involve boys taunted with anti-gay epithets. None of these boys were gay.*

(Kimmel & Mahler, 2003)

Because of their gender expression…

- ***Nearly nine out of 10 transgender*** *students experienced verbal harassment at school in the past year*
- ***More than half experienced physical*** *harassment*
- ***More than a quarter experienced*** *physical assault*
- ***More than four out of five*** *report that adult staff never or only sometimes intervene in these instances of mistreatment*

(Greytak, et al, 2009)

Fifty-eight percent *of transgender middle school students in San Francisco public schools were threatened with a weapon, compared to five percent of their non-transgender peers*

2009 SFUSD YRBS Survey
