

## **Student Bathroom Use**

Access to bathroom facilities that are clean, safe, comfortable, and convenient is important to the health and wellbeing of all people, including those who identify as transgender or who are gender-nonconforming. Students who are transgender or gender non-conforming shall be permitted to use the bathroom that feels safest and most appropriate to them, whether gender-restricted or single-user. *Any* student, transgender or otherwise, who has a need or desire for increased privacy, regardless of underlying reasons, has the right to access a single-user bathroom at Fiddlehead School. No student who is transgender or gender-nonconforming shall be required to use a particular bathroom or be singled out or stigmatized for their bathroom choice.

### **Student Bathroom Use Policy Procedure**

1. When a concern or question arises regarding a student's restroom preference, which may relate to gender identity, social concerns, medical needs, and/or other personal reasons, teachers will work with administration to address it.
2. If applicable, teacher and administrators will access available tools such as the Gender Support Plan or Student 504 Plan.
3. The Executive Director or a delegated School representative will always engage with parents around any such issues unless there is reason to believe doing so would jeopardize a student's physical, mental, or emotional safety. In such cases, the School may work directly with the child and will follow child protective protocol when necessary.

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