



## GENDER + SEXUALITY GLOSSARY – GRADE 5

### **AGENDER**

A person who does not identify with a particular gender

### **AROMANTIC**

A person who does not feel the desire for romantic relationships

### **ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGY**

Medical procedures and medications that help people become pregnant if they need assistance from their doctor and science

### **ASEXUAL**

A person who does not experience feelings of physical/sexual attraction toward others

### **BI-GENDER**

A person who identifies with two or more genders

### **BI-SEXUAL**

A person who has feelings of physical and/or emotional attraction for people of more than one gender

### **BODILY AUTONOMY**

The concept that a person's body is their own and a person has the right to make decisions about their body

### **CISGENDER**

A person whose gender identity is the same as the sex they were assigned at birth

### **CONSENT**

Permission for something to happen or an agreement to do something

### **EMOTIONAL/ROMANTIC ATTRACTION**

Romantic feelings for another person based on personality traits and an emotional connection

### **GAY**

A person who feels physical and/or emotional attraction toward people of the same gender. *Example* – when a person who identifies as a man feels physical and/or emotional attraction toward other people who identify as men

### **GENDER BINARY**

The cultural concept that male (masculine) and female (feminine) are the only genders

### **GENDER EXPRESSION**

The outward expression of a person's gender identity. This can include appearance, clothing, accessories, behaviors, gestures, voice, etc.

### **GENDER-FLUID**

A gender-fluid person can identify as multiple genders and feel more like one or the other at different points in time; they can also identify as genderqueer

## **GENDER IDENTITY**

A person's sense of what gender(s) – if any – they identify with. This is a person's internal sense of their gender – who they are in their heart and their mind relating to their gender

## **HETEROSEXUAL**

A person who feels physical and/or emotional attraction toward a person of the "opposite" gender. *Example* – when a person who identifies as a man feels physical and/or emotional attraction toward people who identify as women

## **INTERSEX**

A person born with sex chromosomes, genitals, and/or reproductive organs that differ from the genitals, sex chromosomes and reproductive organs typically seen in people who are assigned male or female at birth

## **LESBIAN**

A person who identifies as a girl/woman and feels physical and/or emotional attraction toward people who identify as girls/women

## **MISGENDER**

Referring to a person using a gender pronoun they do not identify with

## **NON-BINARY**

A person who does not fully identify as strictly male or strictly female

## **PHYSICAL ATTRACTION**

Feelings for another person based on their physical qualities: appearance, gender, and expression

## **PRONOUNS**

The terms a person feels best express their gender identity (he/him, she/her, they/them, etc.) A person can use more than one pronoun (he/they, she/they, etc.)

## **SEX ASSIGNED AT BIRTH**

The sex a person is assigned (given) at birth based on the appearance of their genitals

## **SEXUAL ORIENTATION**

A person's identity in terms of the gender of the people they are physically and/or emotionally attracted to

## **TRANSGENDER**

People whose gender identity is different from their sex assigned at birth