18 November is the International Day of LGBTQ+ People in STEM!

Why LGBTQ+ in STEM Day?

LGBTQ STEM professionals are more likely to experience career limitations, harassment, and professional devaluation than their non-LGBTQ peers.¹

LGBTQ STEM professionals are also more likely to experience health problems and consider leaving their field.¹

Diversity fosters scientific innovation.²

How can we support our LGBTQ+ colleagues and students?

Model acceptance and inclusion, especially if you are in a leadership position.

Don't assume anyone's identity-listen to them.

Educate yourself-seek out resources on LGBTQ experience.

Create inclusive curricula that highlight LGBTQ contributions.



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