



## **American Family Association of Pennsylvania Weekly Update**

### **Seeking to Expose Attacks on Faith, Family and Freedom with a few wins thrown in!**

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#### **News From Around PA**

**Penn State's Senate Committee on Curricular Affairs** passed a resolution for the "Removal of Gendered & Binary Terms from Course and Program Descriptions." It asserts that "terms such as 'freshmen' are decidedly male-specific, while terms such as 'upperclassmen' can be interpreted as both sexist and classist." Terms such as "junior" and "senior" are supposedly "parallel to western male father-son naming conventions, and much of our written documentation uses he/she pronouns."

**Democrat State Senator Amanda Cappelletti** (Montco) is circulating a co-sponsorship memo that would allow children 14 and over to get CDC recommended vaccinations without parental consent. It states, "Parents or guardians will not be able to override a minor's consent for vaccination if the minor is age 14 or over."

The **Philadelphia Flyers** has produced a documentary "New Heights: Standing in Sight," which features LGBTQ+ hockey fans. One of those featured in the documentary stated, "Sports can be a vehicle for change."

**Philly City Councilwoman** Katherine Gilmore Richardson recently introduced a resolution asking PA legislators to oppose HB 972, the Fairness in Women's Sports Act.

**Pittsburgh City Council** has passed a bill amending the city's Code of Ordinances concerning the Equal Opportunity Review Commission and will now recognize businesses certified through the National LGBT Chamber of Commerce. Pittsburgh joins New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Miami and Nashville, but is the first PA city that expands municipal contracting to LGBTQ owned businesses.

#### **News From National Scene**

Washington Governor Jay Inslee has signed into law a bill that incorporates "**equity, cultural competency, and dismantling institutional racism**" into the training of all K-12 educators in the state. School districts must use one

of three professional days to train on these topics. Proponents say it will make "immigrants and students of color" feel safer. Opponents say it is implementing critical race theory.

**President Biden rescinded many of President Trump's executive orders** including: instructions for federal agencies to find ways to peel back Section 230; instructions for Dept. of Justice to prioritize the prosecution of defendants accused of vandalizing monuments; the building of an "American Heroes" sculpture garden; a bid to limit US foreign aid to certain countries; excluding illegal immigrants who couldn't prove they had health insurance; redefining certain categories of white collar crimes to prevent "**overcriminalization**".

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