



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

Act 25 of 2024 requires schools to hold a moment of silence during the school day annually on the anniversary of the 911 attacks. PA Department of Education must provide model curriculum to schools to teach about the events and significance of 911; encourages schools to engage with their local communities. The act provides resources for schools including access to educational materials and professional development for teachers.

Promoting LGBTQ in Philly schools: The **College of Physicians of Philadelphia** is accepting applications for its Out4STEM program — “an initiative that connects Philadelphia high school students with LGBTQ+ peers and mentors”. The **Attic Youth Center** is hosting a weekly creative writing group “for LGBTQ+ youth ages 14 through 23” and an initiative called Let’s Get Physical – to help LGBTQ youth “develop a strong sense of personal identity and make informed

choices about their bodies and relationships.” LGBTQ+ teens ages 14 to 22 interested in the music business are invited “to apply for a six-month, no-cost internship with **Future Perfect Records.**”

PA’s Commonwealth Court has overturned a 2021 executive order signed by then-Mayor Jim Kenney that replaced Columbus Day in Philadelphia with Indigenous Peoples’ Day.

News from National Scene

U.S. District Court Judge Nancy Brasel sided with **Minnesota parents** seeking to allow their children to obtain postsecondary education credits at faith-based institutions of higher education as well as Christian colleges in the state.

The US Senate in a 53-43 party-line vote invoked the so-called “**nuclear option**” and changed the chamber’s rules to more easily confirm dozens of President Trump’s stalled sub-Cabinet nominees. The Republican **plan was based on one offered by Sens. Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.) and Angus King (I-Maine) in 2023.** The Republican push stemmed from Democrats’

refusal to OK any Trump nominee, even those considered uncontroversial, via unanimous consent or voice vote.

The **1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals** put on hold a preliminary nationwide injunction by a lower-court judge that blocked the Trump administration from cutting Medicaid funding to all Planned Parenthoods.

University of Arkansas students returning to class have the opportunity to take a class on the “Queer U.S. South.” The gender studies class teaches “queer perspectives on the U.S. South” with a focus on “autobiographical, historical, and critical-qualitative analyses that attest to the innovative or inventive ways LGBTQ+ communities have survived and thrived in southern areas.”

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