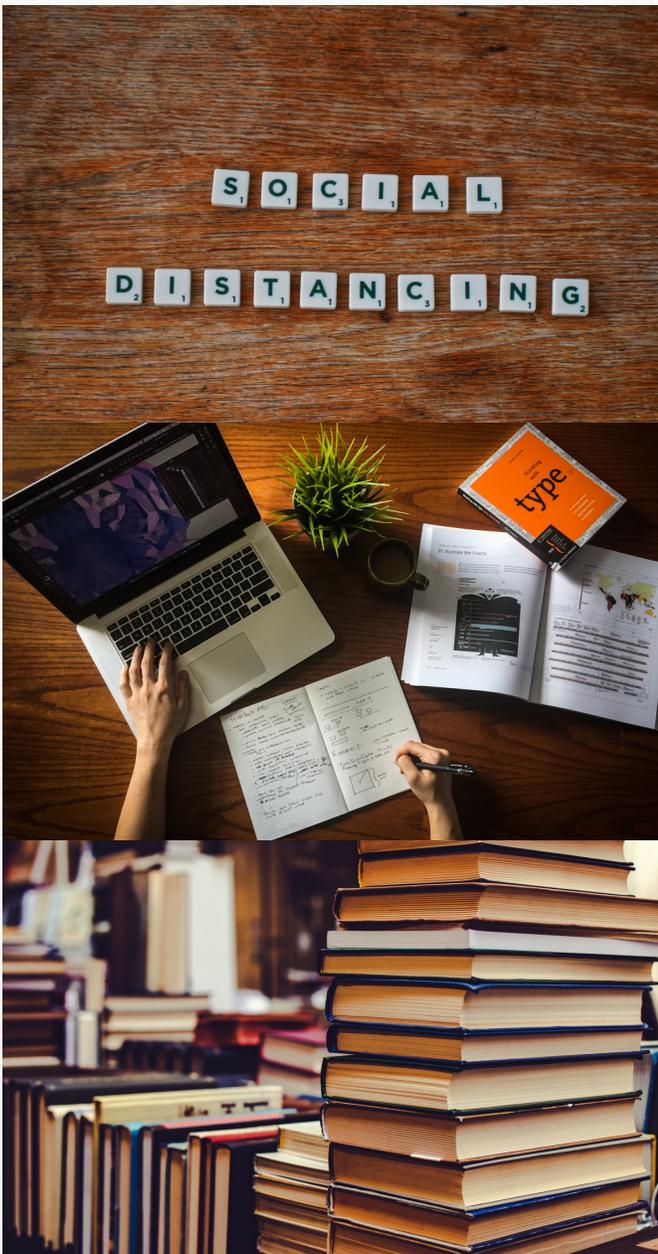


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to the future, for tomorrow
belongs to those who
prepare for it today."*

- **Malcolm X**

THE TRUTH OF LIVING IN THE U.S AS A MEXICAN

by *Samantha Arteaga*

"They're bringing drugs. They're bringing crime. They're rapists. And some, I assume, are good people."

- Donald Trump,
President of the United States

How would you feel if the President of the United States made fun of your heritage? Just ask a Mexican. Donald Trump has made so many remarks about us that have made America hate us with a passion.



Photo taken from The Washington Post - Alex Brandon/AP

Someone racist came up to my mom while we were shopping with my family and yelled at her to "go back to the country that she was born in." My mother has been in America since she was young. She would cry all day, everyday worried that immigration would take her because she looked like she didn't have a right or reason to be here. Trying to become legal as an immigrant isn't simple - it takes time and money from people that don't have it. My mom had to work nonstop at two jobs for her to provide for us and to get her green card. My mom had to worry they wouldn't find her before she got her green card and take her from her kids and family. In 2017, after years of living in the US, she finally got it. All so that our current president and our immigration system could tell us to leave and even cage us up, separated from our families.

Even I hear the comments. It hurts to the core to be told, "you need to go back where you came from" when you are born here. I am a natural born US citizen and it hurts to see family members get deported and taken, separated from their families and friends because of an administration that thinks we are all bad. We only come with good intentions for the United States and for our families and still - we hear lies told by our own president. He tells lies about Hispanic families and doesn't care that being told to go back is the worst thing for a Mexican trying to immigrate. For many, the situation in Mexico is much worse than what America has. In Mexico, someone might be living on the streets, unable to get a job that pays enough for them to even eat every day.

I feel like if Trump didn't make up lies about us, there would be fewer racists, and people wouldn't care as much if we are here illegally or not. They would care more that we come to America for a better future, a better life, and a better paying job for our family. US immigration shouldn't be harsh to families pushing for a better life. It's hard when your parents or family members are here for a purpose, to be safe and have money, and it's harder because of the President's lies.

LGBTQ+ REPRESENTATION IN THE MEDIA

by Kiah Dulcio

What does 'LGBTQ+' mean?

LGBTQ+ is an initialism that means Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning (or Queer.)

What is 'representation in the media?'

Representation is how the media represents any group of people.

Why is LGBTQ+ representation in the media important?

Good representation for the community would show viewers that LGBTQ+ characters are relatable. LGBTQ+ characters should be played by a person that is in the LGBTQ+ community so that the viewer can see how people in the community really act. It is important that the character isn't being portrayed stereotypically.



Photo taken from Popsugar's Pose Pride Parade 2019 Pictures



Photo taken from an LA Pride event via Kaylee Bryant's Twitter page

Who are my top 3 examples of positive representation for LGBTQ+ characters?

1. Josie Saltzman

Actor/Actress: Kaylee Bryant

Show: The CW show Legacies (spin-off of The Vampire Diaries and The Originals)

Where to watch: Netflix, the CW, Amazon Prime

Connection to LGBTQ+ Community: The character and actress are both pansexual

Why is this character a good example of LGBTQ+ Representation? It is a good example of representation because Josie is realistic. She's overly nice and people tend to take advantage of her being so nice and caring.

2. Angel Evangelista

Actor/Actress: Indya Moore

Show: The CW show Legacies (spin-off of The Vampire Diaries and The Originals)

Where to watch: Netflix, Amazon Prime

Connection to LGBTQ+ Community: The character is transgender woman. The actress represents the Afro-Latin community. They are transgender and nonbinary

Why is this character a good example of LGBTQ+ Representation? I find this character to be really good representation for ethnic trans women because of the kinds of difficult challenges Angel faces and overcomes, from experiences as a sex worker to living in a time where HIV was just starting to get attention.

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3. Jackson Whittemore

Actor/Actress: Colton Haynes

Show: Teen Wolf

Where to watch: Amazon Prime, Google Play

Connection to LGBTQ+ Community: Both the character and the actor are gay

Why is this character a good example of LGBTQ+ Representation? Jackson is a rich jock who starts off as a bully. He is basically mean to everyone and never really had real connections with other characters. He shows a lot of toxic masculinity in his traits and is aggressive. *Spoiler Alert!* Later in the series, it's revealed that he's in a relationship with another male character. The other main characters finally realize he was so mean because he was suppressing and coming to terms with his sexuality. This is PERFECT representation for masculine culture, the LGBTQ community, and those struggling with their identity, inner self, and self-hate.

Photo taken from Popsugar's Website



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Student Council!



All students may apply, but you cannot have any BIRs or referrals

For more information, see Mr. Portee in Room 102!

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The following PBPA Stallions have completed at least one or more courses) during the first quarter of the 2020 - 2021 school year:

Akeel Rankine	World History B	Kaernecisia Davis	English 2 B
Alex Rodriguez	Language Arts Math B Environmental Science A	Kiah Dulcio	US History B Algebra 1 A English 2A English 3A
Alicia Robinson	Liberal Arts Math B	Leidi Antillon Martinez	Algebra 1 A
Andrea Garcia	English 1 B	Leslie Rodriguez	English 1 A
Anthony Brown	US History B	Makai Meeks	US History B Earth SpaceA
Ashlyn Bouchard	Government Algebra 1 A	Marissa Webb	Math College Readiness A English 3A
Bernicianna Bridges	English 2A	Morgan Cruce	Liberal Arts 1 Math B Environmental A
Bervelie William	World History A Geometry A English 2A English 2B Biology B	Rachel Bullock	Government
Blake Cogswell	World History A English 1 B	Remari Bullock	English 1 A Liberal Arts 1 Math A
Blaze Bernal	World History B Geometry A	Sage Guthrie	US History A
Bohdan Girwood	Environmental A	Samantha Arteaga	Government
Caleb Gallagher	Digital Info Tech A	Thomas Fleurigene	Algebra A English 2 A
Christine Phillips	Earth Space A	Travon Brown	World History B
Consuelo Garcia	World History B English 2A	Wendy Arrendondo	World History A
Gilberto Rosario	World History A	Zachary Nentwick	US History A
Hobbs Charles	Algebra 1 A		
Isik Billingslea	Biology B		
Janisha Pritchett	Liberal Arts 1 Math B		
Jessee Gibson	Liberal Arts 1 Math B Physical Science A		
Jesus Parouca	Biology A		
Joab Francilon	World History A		
Jocobie Morris	English 1 A		
Julia Laverty	Informal Geometry A English 1 A		
