

DAY OF SILENCE

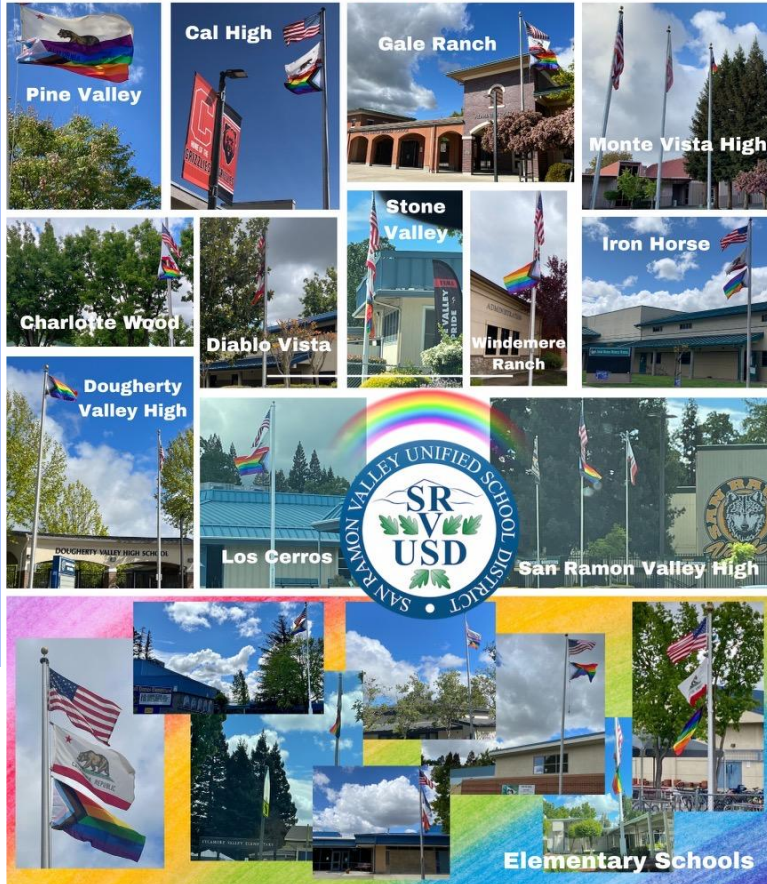
April 14, 2023



What is Day of Silence?

- Takes place this year on Friday, April 14
- Observed by those who may choose to take a daylong vow of silence as a show of empathy and support for students who feel voiceless, isolated, and alone
- While concentrated on LGBTQ+ students, the Day of Silence is a day to show support for all students who may not be able to be their authentic selves
- That silence is broken after school by student groups throughout the District





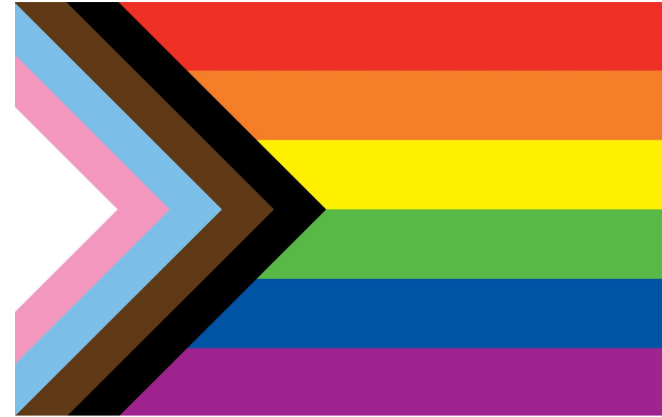
Brief History

- Began in 1996
- Students from all 50 states and around the world participate
- Initiated in SRVUSD by LGBTQ+ high school students
- March 8, 2016: SRVUSD students, in conjunction with SRVEA, successfully petitioned our Board for the first resolution in support of the Day of Silence
- Many of our SRVUSD schools now participate

Why do we celebrate the Day of Silence?

The Day of Silence is SRVUSD at our best:

- A student driven initiative to collectively practice empathy and hope and as a message of hope to those students, particularly in our LGBTQ+ community, who feel alone
- Social Emotional Well-Being, Equity, and Deep Learning



What do we ask of our sites on the Day of Silence?

A registration form for the Day of Silence. At the top left is the logo, which consists of a teal circle with the text 'DAY OF SILENCE' and 'GLSEN' below it, surrounded by several concentric, multi-colored arcs. Below the logo are three text prompts: 'My Name:', 'My Pronouns:', and 'I'm breaking the silence because:'. At the bottom left of the form is the URL 'glsen.org/DayOfSilence'. The background of the form features a large, stylized rainbow arc on the right side.

DAY OF SILENCE
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My Name:

My Pronouns:

I'm breaking the silence because:

glsen.org/DayOfSilence

#DayofSilence

Learn more at:

www.glsen.org/day-of-silence

- Maintain a respectful environment for those who choose to participate
- Commit to maintaining a safe environment for our LGBTQ+ communities every day of the year
- Commit to reaching out to students who feel alone and isolated
- Support student groups to determine what they need to safely participate in the Day of Silence
- Fly the progress flags at every SRVUSD site on April 14, 2023

THANKS!

Comments/ Questions?

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