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## **Gender Neutral Toilets at Wellington High School**

Wellington High School has a long, proud history of being inclusive and of celebrating diversity. The school is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment where every student can feel secure and can access the learning the school provides without interference. The recent news story on the conversion of a set of toilets into gender neutral bathrooms has highlighted the values we promote as a school every single day.

While we are pleased that stories such as this allow an opportunity to inform the wider public about an issue, we are very conscious of the fact that we are dealing with teenagers who are still finding their way. A group of students have instigated a process that has resulted in them making a change to their world. The school community and the Board of Trustees have supported this change and together we celebrate their vision for creating this change. However, they are now getting on with the business of learning.

It is for this reason that we would like to decline any further comment on this story and ask that the privacy of our students be respected.

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