WHAT IS Prism?

PRISM IS AN LGBTQ GROUP FOR YOUTH AGES 11-18 IN THE MID-MISSOURI AREA.

MEETINGS CONSIST OF:
- Discussions of LGBTQ identities
- Education about LGBTQ history
- Art projects
- Games
- Movies
- and more!

FOLLOW US FOR MEETING DETAILS!

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Prism - The Center Project Youth Group
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THE CENTER PROJECT YOUTH GROUP

Thursdays, 6:30pm-8:00pm
805 Fairview Ave.
Columbia, MO 65201
Prism was started by LGBTQ+ youth after the murder of Matthew Shepard, a gay college student, in 1998. LGBTQ+ young people in Mid-Missouri needed a safe space to process this traumatizing event. That’s when Prism was born!

Prism met in various places in the Columbia area, and finally found its home at The Center Project in 2009.

Prism has continued to offer support to LGBTQ+ youth since its formation.

**PRISM COORDINATORS ARE VOLUNTEERS, AGES 23 AND UP, WHO PLAN ACTIVITIES, FACILITATE MEETINGS, AND MENTOR PRISM YOUTH.**

Prism coordinators go through an interview process with Prism youth, a background check, and an orientation on best practices for mentoring LGBTQ+ youth.

**SOBER SPACE!**
In speech and in practice. No casual mention of drugs or alcohol. Do not attend meetings under the influence.

**NO OUTING!**
Prism is a confidential space. Check in with others about their name and pronoun use outside of Prism.

**CONSENT!**
Consent is required for touching others or for talking about potentially triggering topics.

**NO B.S.**
No bullying or shaming! Everyone’s identity is valid. No racism, ableism, fatphobia, classism, transphobia, etc.

**LANGUAGE IS IMPORTANT!**
Be mindful of gendered language. Prism consists of people of all gender identities and gender expressions. Correct pronouns are essential.