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Building Advocacy Coalitions

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- Members of MOASH (Michigan Organization On Adolescent Sexual Health)
- The Deputy Executive Director of Equity Advocacy at Detroit Public Schools Community District
- Stand With Trans Founder
- National Education Association LGBTQ+ Caucus
- TFA PRISM Detroit (Teach For America's LGBTQ+ Community Initiative)



Cover of Between the Lines Newspaper

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Notes From the Field

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- Funding/supplies
- “Business as usual”
- Air quality
- Teaching Face To Face & Virtual simultaneously
- Some being required to teach remotely from classrooms
- Concerned about some districts’ decision-making

**Same
Storm,
Different
Boats**

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- Optimism
- Creativity
- Districts taking precautions
- Excited to see students again

- Reconnecting with coworkers
- Resuming routines, sense of normalcy
- Excited to be back, no matter what “back” looks like

Asks:

- Transparency in decision making
- Communication