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 The walkout is in response to the Virginia Beach School Board approving policy 5-31, which

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Students have been organizing [walkouts](#) across the state since Republican Gov. Glenn Youngkin earlier this year announced new guidelines for trans and nonbinary students.



“Students like me aren’t going to be able to talk to our teachers if we’re constantly worried about our school officials calling home to forcibly out us,” AJ, a trans Kellam High School Student, told the Pride Liberation Project.

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Students and Pride Liberation Project supporters hold signs supporting transgender rights at Luther Jackson Middle School in Falls Church, Va., during a Fairfax County School Board meeting in 2022. (Washington Blade photo by Michael Key)

A group of Virginia students have launched a campaign that challenges the state's new guidelines for transgender and nonbinary students.

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Students4Trans held a rally outside the Virginia Department of Education in Richmond on Sept. 22. Another rally will take place during the Virginia Beach School Board meeting on Tuesday.



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Two parents in Virginia Beach have filed a lawsuit that seeks to force the city's school district to implement the state's new guidelines for transgender and nonbinary students.

NBC Washington on Friday [reported](#) Cooper and Kirk, a D.C.-based law firm, filed the lawsuit in Virginia Beach Circuit Court

Public Schools and Prince William County Schools are among the school districts that have refused to implement them.



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The Equality Virginia and the Human Rights Campaign political action committees on Thursday endorsed 21 “pro-equality champions” who are running for the Virginia General Assembly.

State Del. [Danica Roem \(D-Manassas\)](#), who is running for the state Senate, is among the candidates who the PAC endorsed. State Sen. Adam Ebbin (D-Alexandria) and state Del. Mark Sickles (D-Fairfax County) are two of the other endorsed candidates.

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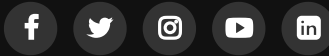
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