



## Should Parents Have Rights in Sex Education?

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Opponents of sex education are increasingly invoking "parents' rights" as a framework for removing their children from sex education. The authors of *Touchy Subject: The History and Philosophy of Sex Education* will survey the context of parents' rights and explain what should or should not fall under parents' authority.

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Lisa Andersen, PhD and Lauren Bialystok, PhD, presented a session at the National Sex Ed Conference in Atlantic City, NJ.

In it, Lauren asserted the following:

- **Parents only want parental rights to oppress LGBTQ people who are not their children.**
- **Parents who demand parental rights clash with the government's and teachers' claims of rights over the children.** No group's interests outweigh the other.
  - **Since some parents work in the government, the government has rights over all children.**
  - Since there are parents who are also teachers, that means teachers have rights over kids that aren't theirs.
- **All curriculum in school is obviously in the best interests of the children because the government and teachers have the best interest of the children in mind.**
  - Arguing that parents have parental rights ahead of the government and teachers means you're putting the children at risk.
- **Parents who demand parental rights also clash with the rights of their children,** and are putting their children at risk as a result.
- Many stakeholders in the community have interest in the sex education of children, including the government, teachers, doctors, and clergy.
  - Therefore **children belong to the community.**
  - **Children's rights to have their best interest taken care of by the community trumps parental rights.**
- Parents only have the parental rights they are granted by the community with "appropriate leeway" to raise their children.
- Therefore, **parents do not have rights over their children.**

Remember, **this is being argued at a conference attended by people who teach sex education in your kids' schools, and this is what they're being taught.**

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