

# THE ETFO DURHAM STATUS OF WOMEN AND EQUITY COMMITTEE

Invites You to Celebrate Diversity

## DAY of PINK APRIL 13, 2011

What will you be wearing?

April 13<sup>th</sup> will mark the International Day Against Bullying, Discrimination, and Homophobia in schools and communities. This day of action stems from a youth attending a Nova Scotia high school who was bullied because he wore a pink shirt to school. His peers decided to stand up to bullying and hundreds of students came to school wearing pink to show support for diversity and the elimination of bullying, discrimination, and homophobia. An organization named Jer's Vision decided to take the idea and turn it into an international yearly event.

Last April, several entire schools organized around Day of Pink. Hundreds of students wore pink to school as a show that bullying, discrimination, and homophobia will not be tolerated.

ETFO is proud to support and participate in this day for 2011. This year, along with ETFO, we are hoping your school will join the movement. Here are some ways to do this:

- Organize a Pink Shirt Day on April 13<sup>th</sup>
- Challenge classes to a bulletin board decorating contest
- Make announcements leading up to the day
- Invite a speaker to your school (i.e. PFLAG)

ON APRIL 13<sup>th</sup>, WE HOPE A SEA OF PINK WILL MAKE ITS WAY ACROSS DURHAM SCHOOLS