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Dear Dr. Gilles,

I appreciate you taking the time to voice your concerns regarding our Drag Queen Story Time program.

The Bruce County Public Library supports a wide range of diverse programming. Programming provides information, invites public discussion, encourages curiosity and creativity and promotes literacy and reading.

We are excited about the opportunity to present Drag Queen Story Time on October 5th in conjunction with the Rainbow Optimist Club – Southwestern Ontario and the support of TD Bank. This special event focuses on books, songs, and making. It is also a support for our LGBTQ youth, parents of queer and trans kids, community relationship building, and creating a space where LGBTQ youth know they can access programs at the library. Dress up, costumes, make believe and role play are part of children's play and entertainment, and drag aligns with this. As with any library partnered program, staff are nearby to assist when needed.

This is a program for all families in Bruce County and open to all ages – children, teens, and adults. This program exemplifies the Bruce County Public Library's commitment to inclusion and diversity and has the full support of the Bruce County Public Library Board. We understand that our community is comprised of a mosaic of personal beliefs and we respect an individual's decision not to attend this program.

If you have any further questions, please let me know.

Regards, Nicole

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