

Threats of sexual violence may be against the law, even when framed as a "joke." Imagine if the "joke" was about someone you care about.



WHY DRAW THE LINE

Ignoring statements like these encourages harmful behaviours and violence against trans women. The Ontario Human Rights Code includes gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation as prohibited grounds for discrimination.

WHEN TO DRAW THE LINE

Whenever we witness someone "joking" about sexual violence we have an opportunity to call it out as unacceptable.

HOW TO DRAW THE LINE

Call it out: Tell your classmate that the joke is not funny.

Use your body language: Even if you're not sure what to say, show your feelings of displeasure or disbelief by making a face, shaking your head or moving away.

Report it: Tell someone you trust – a teacher, a principal, a parent/caregiver or elder.

IT HAPPENED TO ME

If you've experienced sexual threats, reach out for help. Visit draw-the-line.ca.

Be an ally to trans women by challenging transphobia and other forms of violence. Visit dtl.egale.ca.

Sexual violence is everyone's problem. Break the silence. Speak out against it. Spread the word. Find out more at draw-the-line.ca.



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