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## **WHITMAN CENTER TO HOST PRESENTATION ON IMPORTANCE OF LGBTQ ‘ALLIES’**

TEMPERANCE, Mich. – Monroe County Community College’s Whitman Center will host a presentation by Dr. Melissa Grey, associate professor of psychology, on the importance of “allies” to people who are lesbian, gay bisexual, transgender and/or queer.

“What is Means to be an Ally” will take place on Oct. 24 from 7-8 p.m. in Room 4 of the center. The presentation is free and open to the public.

An ally is typically a heterosexual person involved in making our community a fair and safe place for all people to be who they are. In this presentation, Grey will discuss how important allies have been to LBGQTQ people and communities. She will introduce ways to become an ally and discuss how people who are currently allies can build their skills.

In conjunction with Grey’s presentation will be a display entitled “That’s So Gay,” which will be available for free, public viewing at the Whitman Center throughout October.

The display, created by the COLAGE Youth Leadership and Action Program in the San Francisco Bay area, is a photo-text exhibit that raises awareness of the experiences of children, youth, and adults with one or more lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and/or queer parent.

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It will be available to the public for free viewing in the Whitman Center during regular business hours, which are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday.

For more information on the presentation or exhibit, please contact the Whitman Center, at (734) 847-0559.

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