

HART BEAT: *The Posh Academy for Gifted Youth*

is a program of **BREAKOUT!**'s leadership development and healing justice work. The school comes after 3 years of **BREAKOUT!**'s work to support members in obtaining their HiSET's before making the leap to start our own program at the request of membership.

The classes meet twice a week, **Mondays & Wednesdays 4-6pm**, with para-instructors, both graduates of NOPLAY. Optional tutoring is every Tuesday. All classes take place at **BREAKOUT!**'s youth space, 1001 S. Broad St.

BREAKOUT! is a youth-led organization that seeks to end the criminalization of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth to build a safer and more just New Orleans.

We build on the rich cultural tradition of resistance in the South to build the power of LGBTQ youth ages 13-25 and directly impacted by the criminal justice system through youth organizing, healing justice, and leadership development programs.

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To apply, or for info:



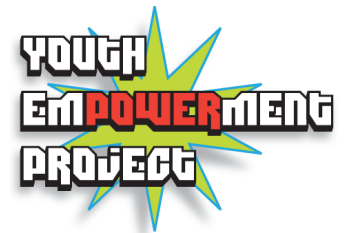
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Posh Academy
For Gifted Youth

Free Hi-SET
(formerly the GED) classes
*specifically for queer and
trans youth*

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Qualifications:

- Be a queer or trans youth, age 13-25 years old
- Reside in the Greater New Orleans area
- Be formerly incarcerated or affected by the criminal justice system
- Be able to devote Mondays & Wednesdays, 4-6PM to the Academy
- Be fierce & ready to learn!

FAQ about the Posh Academy

How do I enroll?

Just give us a call at (504) 252-9025 or come by our office at 1001 S. Broad St. #119

What do I need to bring?

Yourself! Eventually, we'll need your state I.D. to get all of your paperwork together, but placement testing can start right away!



THE POSH ACADEMY is a program of **BreakOUT!** and prepares LGBTQ youth and young adults to take their HiSET (formerly the GED.)

The classes meet three times a week, **Tuesdays-Thursdays 4-6pm**. All classes take place at **BreakOUT!** drop-in space and office, 1001 S. Broad St. #119

We offer:


- ♥ Small class size (no more than 10 scholars at a time)
- ♥ Individualized instruction
- ♥ Access to mobile/app-based studying
- ♥ Support with "Life After Posh" goals like jobs and college
- ♥ Independent study



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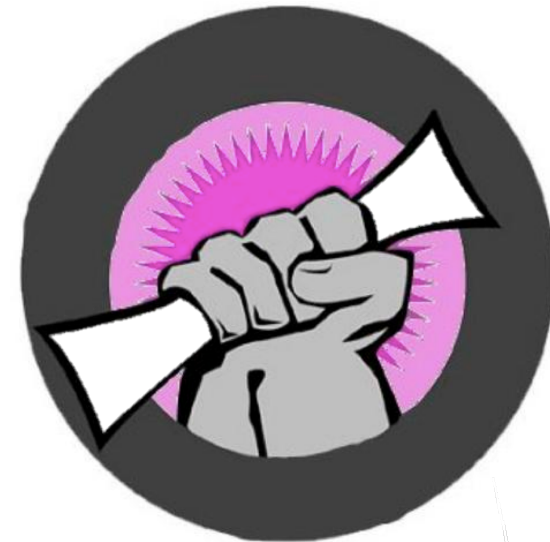
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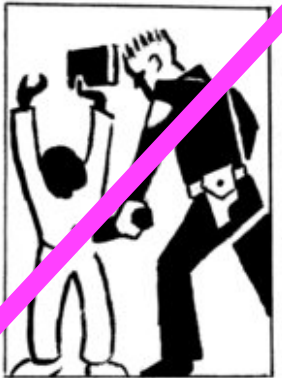
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WHY POSH AT BREAKOUT!?

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BreakOUT! sees creating our own educational alternatives as a key strategy to building the power of LGBTQ youth in New Orleans!



QUALIFICATIONS:

- ♥ LGBTQ-identified
- ♥ Be able to devote Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, 4-6PM to the Academy or otherwise make up your work in online hours
- ♥ Be fierce, serious about your education, & ready to learn!



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FAQ ABOUT POSH ACADEMY

How do I enroll?

Just give us a call at (504) 252-9025 or come by our office at 1001 S. Broad St. #119

Are classes offered in Spanish?

Unfortunately, classes are not offered in Spanish.

What do I need to bring?

Yourself! Eventually, we'll need an ID to get all of your paperwork together for testing, but placement testing can start right away.

