

**I would like to look at one word: Advantage. That word, that singular word, advantage, thrown into discussion on transgender student athletes is a fallacy.**

**Transgender students are surviving. Transgender students are often undergoing hardships most adults hearing/reading this today could not even fathom. As the parent of and spouse of amazing transgender individuals it is blatantly obvious to me that the world does them no favors! They belong to one of the most targeted demographics in the WORLD!**

**And now, here in my home state, where North Dakota nice is flouted as a selling point of sorts; my child faces legislation that aims to degrade and demean their right to exist as they are, a trans student with athletic aspirations. North Dakota is better than this. Transgender student athletes exist. Administration in my city has been learning and growing their education on the benefits of inclusion with the Transgender community and it is a wonderful thing to see. Be better than this bill, for my child and all trans kids in ND.**