



2022 Bob Wiseman Memorial Scholarship Information & Guidelines

Sponsor

- PFLAG Greater Placer County and Lavender Friends of Sun City, Lincoln

Background & Purpose

PFLAG envisions a world where diversity is celebrated and all people are respected, valued, and affirmed inclusive of their sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. Our mission is *to build on a foundation of loving families united with LGBTQ people and allies who support one another, and to educate ourselves and our communities to speak up as advocates until all hearts and minds respect, value, and affirm LGBTQ people.*

The scholarship program is designed to (1) recognize outstanding LGBTQ+ and ally students whose personal qualities and actions are consistent with PFLAG's mission and to (2) encourage and support LGBTQ+ and ally students in furthering their educational goals and careers.

Eligibility

- Self-identifies as lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender, queer, non-binary, other, or straight ally.
- On track to graduate by June 2022 from a recognized secondary school in Placer County.
- Has applied, or intends to apply, to enter higher education (college, university, or a trade/technical school) by fall 2022.

High School Student Application Requirements

- Copy of complete (to date) high school **transcript** or equivalent document.
- Two **letters of recommendation** - (1) a high school teacher or staff member, and (2) an unrelated adult friend or member of the community. Both letters should attest to the applicant's character, academic potential, and **specific positive involvement related to justice and equality for the LGBTQ+ community**. Letters must include writer's name, phone number, and relationship to the applicant.
- **Essay** – 250 words (minimum) to 500 words (maximum), typewritten. To include, but not limited to, applicant's vocational/career goals, interests and hobbies, extra-curricular activities, and **evidence of support for justice and equality for LGBTQ persons and community**. Please also include either (1) how being an LGBTQ+ person has affected your life, or (2) how being an LGBTQ+ supporter and straight ally has affected your life.

Scholarship Awards

Up to four scholarships are available, starting at \$250. Applicants will receive official notification by April 8, 2022. Awards will be presented at the PFLAG Chapter meeting in Auburn on Monday evening, June 13th, and at the high school's Senior Awards event. **Proof of acceptance and enrollment** in a college, university, or trade/technical school will be required prior to the disbursement of funds.

Application Process

Submit application in a **single envelope**, postmarked by **Friday March 11, 2022**, and mail to **PFLAG Greater Placer County, 2280 Grass Valley Hwy #293, Auburn, CA, 95603**.

Further Questions: Contact Margot Fulmer, mkfulmer@gmail.com or 530-906-7608.