

# 2026 PFLAG Newport Beach Scholarship Application

*Our Mission: By meeting people where they are and collaborating with others, PFLAG realizes its vision through:*

- ***Support for families, allies, and people who are LGBTQ+***
- ***Education for ourselves and others about the unique issues & challenges facing people who are LGBTQ+***
- ***Advocacy in our communities to change attitudes and create policies and laws that achieve full equality for people who are LGBTQ+***

## **Scholarship Eligibility Requirements**

- 2.0 GPA, or higher.
- Must be a resident (or a parent must be a resident) of Orange County at the time of the application.
- Must identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, nonbinary, or intersex (LGBTQ+).
- Must be a high school senior continuing to higher education.

## **Scholarship Amounts**

- PFLAG Newport Beach will award the following scholarships for 2026:
  - One (1) *Emma Huke Memorial Scholarship* in the amount of \$2,500
  - Two (2) scholarships in the amount of \$1,000
  - Three (3) mini-scholarships in the amount of \$500 each

## **Terms and Important Dates**

- Awards will be paid directly to the student.
- The scholarship application will be made available on or before February 14, 2026.
- Application and essay must be received by PFLAG Newport Beach via email ([pflagnewportbeach@gmail.com](mailto:pflagnewportbeach@gmail.com)) by April 30, 2026.
- Decisions will be announced by May 8, 2026. Recipients will be notified by email.
- Scholarship recipients are invited to attend the Thursday, May 21, 2026, PFLAG Newport Beach meeting to accept their awards personally. Attendance at the meeting is not mandatory to receive the award.

## **Instructions**

1. Complete the application.
2. To establish residency, email a photo of your, or your parent's, driver's license, state ID card or utility bill to [pflagnewportbeach@gmail.com](mailto:pflagnewportbeach@gmail.com).

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3. Email a copy of your most recent unofficial transcript to [pflagnewportbeach@gmail.com](mailto:pflagnewportbeach@gmail.com).

**PFLAG Newport Beach Scholarship**  
**2024 Application**

1. Name:
2. Address:
3. Telephone Number:
4. Email Address:
5. High School (include city and state):
6. Have you been accepted by a college or place of continuing education for fall 2026?  
If so, please list school(s):
7. List any recent honors, recognitions or awards that you have received.
8. Please describe any extra-curricular activities in school or in the community that you have been involved with since entering high school.
9. Please respond to the essay prompt below:

This world can be a challenging place for LGBTQ+ individuals who are misunderstood and made to feel like an “other.” What steps have you taken, or plan to take, to advocate on behalf of the LGBTQ+ community?

Alternatively, what is your vision for a world in which LGBTQ+ people have actually achieved equality? What would need to change in order for that vision to be realized?

**Thank you, and good luck!**

## **Additional Scholarship Opportunities for LGBTQIA Students**

Human Rights Campaign Student Scholarship Database

<https://www.hrc.org/resources/scholarships>

The Point Foundation

<https://pointfoundation.org/>

The Gamma Mu Foundation

<https://gammamufoundation.org/>

The Association of LGBTQ Journalists

<https://www.nlgja.org/resources/aarons/>

College Scholarships.org

<http://www.collegescholarships.org/scholarships/lgbt-students.htm>

Rainbow College Fund

<https://rainbowcollegefund.org/>

PFLAG does not qualify or endorse any scholarships listed above and recommends students research each organizations and qualifications requested.