



## 2026 Bob Wiseman Memorial Scholarship Information & Guidelines

### Sponsored by PFLAG Greater Placer County 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 create a caring, just, and affirming world for LGBTQ+ people and those who love them.*

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

- You self-identify as lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender, queer, non-binary, other LGBTQ+, or straight ally.
- You are on track to graduate by June 2026 from a recognized public/charter high school in Placer County.
- You have applied, or intend to apply, to enter higher education (college, university, or a trade/technical school) by fall 2026.

### High School Student Application Requirements (note: incomplete applications may not be considered).

- Copy of complete (to date) high school **transcript** or equivalent document.
- **Two letters of recommendation** from (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 the writer's name, phone number, and how they know 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

Five+ scholarships are available, starting at \$750. Applicants will receive official notification by April 10, 2026. Awards will be presented at PFLAG's Chapter meeting in Roseville on Monday evening, June 8<sup>th</sup>, and at the high school's Senior Awards events. **Proof of acceptance *and* enrollment** in a college, university, or trade/technical school will be required prior to the disbursement of funds.

### Application Process

Download, complete, and return the signed PFLAG 2026 Scholarship Application Form. Make sure any attachments are in the PDF format and then submit them by email to [greaterplacerpflag@gmail.com](mailto:greaterplacerpflag@gmail.com) OR by mail in an envelope postmarked no later than Monday, March 2, 2026 sent to PFLAG Greater Placer County, 2280 Grass Valley Hwy #293, Auburn, CA, 95603..

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