# PFLAG Hampton Roads Scholarship Application Instructions

#### Purpose:

• The purpose of this scholarship is to reward outstanding LGBTQIA+ students who have thrived in the face of adversity, and to inspire our next generation of leaders in Hampton Roads.

### **Scholarship Offered:**

• PFLAG Hampton Roads is offering multiple \$1,000 (one thousand dollar) and a single \$2,000 scholarship for the 2025/26 academic year, to go toward post-secondary education.

## **Eligibility:**

- Must be a self-identified member of the LGBTQIA community
- Must have applied for or are currently attending an accredited post-secondary or vocational institution.
- Must be a resident of the greater Hampton Roads Community at the time of application.
- Must submit a completed scholarship application form along with required supporting materials by the official application submission deadline stated herein.
- Must have satisfied the high school graduation requirements of the Virginia Department of Education.
- The recipient of the scholarship must be willing to participate and speak at any scholarship events sponsored by PFLAG Norfolk/South Hampton Roads.

#### Terms:

- Awards will be paid in a check made payable to the student and may only be used for educational expenses (i.e. course registration fees, lab fees, books, university housing, required class materials, etc.)
- All personal information submitted to PFLAG Norfolk/South Hampton Roads will be strictly confidential and will not be shared outside the Scholarship Selection Committee.
- Priority is given to LGBTQIA youth, however, students up to age 30 are eligible to apply.
- Must attend a post-secondary educational institution within one year of being awarded the scholarship.

#### **Requirements:**

- Completed application
- Most recent 2 years transcripts and cumulative GPA
- Two recommendation letters
- These items must all be received the Application Due Date.

#### **Important Dates:**

- APPLICATION AND REFERENCE LETTER DUE DATE: April 30, 2025
- DECISIONS ANNOUNCED: May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025

#### Submit to:

By E-Mail: PFLAGHRSCHOLARSHIP@GMAIL.COM

By Fax: (929) 259-3517 By Mail: PFLAG Scholarship

> 931 Shirley Ave Norfolk, VA 23507

# PFLAG Norfolk/South Hampton Roads Scholarship Frequently Asked Questions

# 1. Should my letters of reference be sent separately or with my application?

Reference letters are best sent separately by your reference. We encourage you to follow up and confirm that your reference did indeed submit their letter of reference by the due date.

### 2. I have received a scholarship in the past. May I reapply?

You are eligible to receive a PFLAG Norfolk/South Hampton Roads Scholarship up until you have completed your course of study or certification. This is not to exceed four years total. Applicants must maintain a "B" average in their course of study, and they must demonstrate that they are an actively engaged member of the LGBTQIA community while in school.

# 3. Can I submit a transcript with the word "COPY" written on them, even though they came from my school?

As long as it is a copy of the official transcript produced by the school, then it is acceptable for your application.

# 4. What if I have dual enrollment during my recent educational history?

If there is dual enrollment, we ask that transcripts from all programs be included.