

## Marc E. Lewis Youth Scholarship Application

*Making sports safe and inclusive for LGBTQ+ student-athletes*

FLAG Flag Football is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization dedicated to promoting and educating the public about the sport of flag football in the greater Boston area especially to persons or groups who are traditionally under-represented including members of the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community and increasing diversity and tolerance within athletics—

[www.flagflagfootball.com](http://www.flagflagfootball.com)

Please send any questions to

[Scholarship@flagflagfootball.com](mailto:Scholarship@flagflagfootball.com)

FLAG (Friends, Lesbians, and Gays) Flag Football will be awarding up to \$10,000 to a graduating Massachusetts high school student or students who will be attending a two- or four-year college or a post-high school career school in the 2026-2027 academic year.

The scholarship will be awarded to a student who has made high school and/or community sports programs safer for, and more inclusive of, LGBTQ+ student-athletes, as either a role model or ally. In line with the mission of our organization, students of all athletic skill levels, achievement, and contributions are encouraged to apply. The award will be based on responses to the questions below and two letters of reference. All students are welcome and encouraged to apply: gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, or straight.

*Presentation of scholarship will take place Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup> @11 am at our Flag Football Fields in Dorchester*

**Please mail completed applications to:**

FLAG Flag Football

PO Box 220550

Dorchester, MA 02122

**OR Email to:**

[Scholarship@flagflagfootball.com](mailto:Scholarship@flagflagfootball.com)

**Applications must be postmarked or emailed no later than Tuesday, April 1, 2026.**

**Checklist for documents Enclosed with application**

*Please do not staple your application materials.*

- Completed application** postmarked by April 1, 2026, and mailed to:  
FLAG Flag Football  
PO Box 220550  
Dorchester, MA 02122  
**OR**  
Emailed to:  
[Scholarship@flagflagfootball.com](mailto:Scholarship@flagflagfootball.com)
- Essay**
- Two letters of reference**, at least one from someone who can address what you have done to make school or community sports safer for LGBTQ+ student-athletes
- Scholarship Release Form**

**About You**

NAME		
PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S)		
ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP
TELEPHONE	EMAIL	
HIGH SCHOOL		
GUIDANCE COUNSELOR	TELEPHONE	
COACH, ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OR COMMUNITY-BASED ADULT ADVISOR		
TELEPHONE	EMAIL	

If necessary, please use a separate sheet of paper to answer any of the questions below:

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**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

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Please list any sports or teams on which you have participated in high school and any leadership positions you have held:

What clubs, activities, or community service are you involved in? Include any leadership positions:

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**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

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To what colleges, universities, or career schools are you applying?

What majors or careers are you considering?

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**OTHER INFORMATION**

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Include any additional information you would like us to know:

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**ESSAY** (no more than 500 words)

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Describe your commitment to making your school or community sports safer for LGBTQ+ student-athletes. What have you done as a role model, leader, or ally to make sports more inclusive and to help create a world in which students learn to accept and respect all people? Why is this important to you?

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**SIGNATURE**

All of the information provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Marc E. Lewis Youth Scholarship Release Form

On the \_\_\_\_\_ (day) of \_\_\_\_\_ (month), \_\_\_\_\_ (year),

I, make the following six statements of my own free will.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check each box that you agree with below.**

I acknowledge and agree to the following:

I grant FLAG Flag Football permission to approach my high school principal regarding recognition of my scholarship award by the high school.

I grant FLAG Flag Football permission to publish an announcement of my scholarship award in the local news media.

I grant FLAG Flag Football permission to publish an announcement of my scholarship award to the national news media.

I grant FLAG Flag Football permission to use my photograph in their publicity releases about my scholarship award.

I grant FLAG Flag Football permission to use my scholarship essay, letters of recommendation, or portions thereof, for publication or for promotion of the scholarship program.

I grant FLAG Flag Football permission to include my picture, bio and quotes from my essay in their newsletter or other print materials and on their website.