

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.

Please send any questions to marc@flagflagfootball.com.

FLAG (Friends, Lesbians, and Gays) Flag Football will be awarding **up to \$5,000** 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 2018-2019 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.*

Applications must be postmarked no later than **Friday, March 16, 2018.**

Please mail completed applications to:

FLAG Flag Football
PO Box 180559
Boston, MA 02118

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

Checklist for documents enclosed with application

Please do not staple your application materials.

- Completed application** postmarked by March 16, 2018 and mailed to: FLAG Flag Football PO Box 180559 Boston, MA 02118
- 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**

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

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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:

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

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

What majors or careers are you considering?

OTHER INFORMATION

Include any additional information you would like us to know:

ESSAY (no more than 500 words)

Describe your commitment to making 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?

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.

Please return this form along with the completed application and letters of recommendation.