

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The **LIVE OUT LOUD Educational Scholarship** was created to provide financial support for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) youth who are pursuing a college degree. Through this scholarship, LGBT youth can apply for funds to pay for educationally related expenses to pursue a degree from an accredited college, university, or technical/vocational program. This year Live Out Loud is awarding 4 scholarships for \$2,500.00 each.

<u>APPLICATION GUIDELINES & CRITERIA</u>

- This award is open only to Graduating High School Seniors who identify as LGBT, and to those LGBT graduates who may have deferred attending an educational institution for one year following graduation.
- Applicants need to be from the Tri-State area, including New York, Connecticut, and New Jersey.
- Award criteria are based on the demonstration of past leadership and community service involvement, academic credentials, personal essay, an individual interview, financial need and future goals.
- Applicants must send (a) the completed application form; (b) TWO letters of recommendation.
- Finalists must participate in an individual interview that will be scheduled in early April 2011.
- The scholarships will be awarded at a ceremony on April 25th, 2011.
- All applications must be complete for consideration.
- Live Out Loud must receive all applications no later than March 18th, 2011. Any incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Live Out Loud is not required to award all 4 scholarships annually. Awards are given only to applicants approved by the Scholarship Committee based on the criteria above.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDING PROCESS

Scholarship awards will not be distributed until Live Out Loud receives all required documentation, including copy of acceptance letter from the institution the student will be attending and verification of attendance by the relevant admissions office. Live Out Loud will distribute awards directly to the educational institution only, and only upon verification of attendance.

Completed applications should be submitted to Live Out Loud for review and consideration.

Send your application to: Live Out Loud

Attention: Scholarship Committee

570 7th Avenue, 9th Floor New York, NY 10018

Please direct questions to: info@liveoutloud.info

To find out more about Live Out Loud, visit our website: www.liveoutloud.info

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Any information provided on this application is strictly confidential and will not be disseminated for any reason other than determining eligibility for the Live Out Loud Educational Scholarship or as required by state or federal agencies.

STUDENT:		
First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Home Mailing Address		Apt. No
City/State		Zip Code
Phone ()	Cell No. ()	E-Mail
ARE WE PERMITTED TO LE ORGANIZATIONAL NAME C		R OF THESE NUMBERS REGARDING OUR
□ YES □ NO IF No	O, WE WILL CONTACT YOU	VIA THE E-MAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED.
Are you a U.S. Citizen? □ Pe	manent Resident? □ If not U	J.S., country of birth:
Date of Birth: Month Day	/ Year	
Is English your first language?	' □ Yes □ No If no, what i	s?
Do you self-identify as LGBT?	□ Yes □ No	
If Yes, are you "OUT and OP!	EN" to your community? □ Yes	□ No
		□ Latino/a □ Caucasian (non-Hispanic)
High School (Do not abbrevia	te or use nicknames)	
Special program, if any		
Street Address, City/State, Zip	Code	
Expected graduation date:	Month Year	
Contact Person/ Admissions (Counselor	Phone ()
Grade point average in the un	its used by your school: out of	a possible:
SAT-M SAT-M S	Annrovimate cla	ss rank: out of or percentile

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PARENT OR GUARDIAN:	
Mr. □ Mrs. □ Ms. □ First Name	Last Name
Relationship to Student	
Occupation	
	none □ some grade school □ grade school graduate □ some high □ associate's degree (2-year college) □ bachelor's degree
	Last Name
Relationship to Student	
Occupation	
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STUDENT:	
I certify that the information contained in this app	olication is true.
Applicant's Signature	Date
How did you hear about the Live Out Loud Scho	olarship Program?
The following information should be provided if k awarding of the scholarship in order to facilitate	known. If not, then the information should be provided upon the distribution of scholarship funds.
Anticipated college, university or technical/vocat	tional school:
Street Address, City/State, Zip Code	
Admissions Counsalor:	Phone No (

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This page may be submitted on a separately typed sheet of paper if desired.

1. Please describe your most important activities and achievements, including academic honors, community service and other volunteer opportunities, extracurricular activities, and work experience.
2. Please explain your financial need. Are there any extenuating circumstances that will impact your ability to pay for school?
3. Please describe the challenges you have encountered in your home, school, or community because of your LGBT identity and/or your action as a LGBT leader. How have these challenges affected you? How have you chosen to face these difficulties?

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4. Please indicate your intended academic major in college or tech/vocational school. Why are you choosing this particular area of study? If you are unsure, please describe what interests you plan to explore and why.
5. Please describe the activities in which you plan to participate during your college tenure (i.e., (campus/community service, extracurricular activities, paid/unpaid work experience).
6. Please describe your career aspirations after you graduate from college or tech/vocational school.

ESSAY:

- 1. What does it mean to you to Live Out Loud? In 250-500 words tell us how you have lived this message in your life.
- 2. In a separate essay (no more than 1000 words; typed and double spaced) Please answer the following questions: How have you distinguished yourself as a leader in, or on behalf of, the LGBT community? What leadership roles have you shown during your high school years? Describe a situation or project you have initiated. What were the results? What challenges did you come up against while executing this project? How has this project impacted your community?