



ABOUT US

The Missouri Courage Scholarship (MCS) is the first, and largest, state-wide LGBTQ scholarship organization in Missouri. We fund annual scholarships for graduating high school seniors and a Fellowship for a college student. Our mission is to acknowledge, affirm, and reward students who demonstrate courage and take a stand for social justice.

We have awarded over \$25,000 in scholarships to students in our two-year history. MCS is a federally-recognized 501c3 organization; all donations are tax-exempt.

We currently award scholarships in three categories; anyone who receives a scholarship is a **Courage Scholar**:

The Missouri Courage Award (MCA) is dedicated each year to a Missouri student who has either demonstrated their commitment to work for change in their community that advances the lives of LGBTQ people and other social justice causes.

The Trans Courage Award (TCA) is dedicated each year to a Missouri student who identifies as transgender and meets the MCA scholarship qualifications.

The Rural Courage Award (RCA) is intended for students residing in rural Missouri communities who meet the MCA scholarship qualifications. If applications are received from Dent County, Missouri, those applicants will be given an advantage in the selection criteria.

Pride Partnership Awards. MCS also acts as the scholarship arm of multiple Pride organizations in Missouri. We coordinate the process, collect and review the applications, and assist the organizations with the awards.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

We count on our donors, sponsors and partners to make this a sustainable effort.

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GET UPDATES & LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR COURAGE SCHOLARS: <http://courage-scholarship.org>

SPONSOR COURAGE SCHOLARS: We also partner with corporations and other organizations who want to support kids who work for change in their communities. We have four levels of corporate sponsorship:

\$1,000-\$2,499 Friend of Courage

\$5,000-\$9,999 Champion of Courage

\$2,500-\$4,999 Ally of Courage

\$10,000+ Sponsor-Named Scholarship

WE'D LOVE YOUR SUPPORT

We are led by our Courage Co-Chairs: Jacob Wilson (jacob@courage-scholarship.org) and Geneviève Steidtmann (genevieve@courage-scholarship.org). We have a 9-member Board of Directors and a Courage Fellow. Contact any of us anytime to discuss the many ways you can make a difference to kids in Missouri.