January 3, 2022

**Dear High School Guidance Counselor,**

Annually, the **First Friday Breakfast Club** (FFBC) awards scholarships to graduating Iowa high school seniors committed to reducing homophobia and increasing awareness and tolerance of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBTQ+) issues in their schools and communities. **Awards will be made in the amount of $3,000+ per student**. As a result of fundraising efforts this year, it is expected that at least seven awards will be available. Since 1997, the FFBC has awarded more than 125 scholarships totaling over **$350,000**.

Scholarship recipients are a cross section of students from all Iowa high schools, from urban and rural districts and both public and private schools. They are leaders in academics, athletics, drama, and art. Each has committed their time and talents to helping others to understand and to appreciate the diversity and contributions their LGBTQ+ friends bring to their schools and communities. There are no restrictions in the selection procedure based upon race, sex, religion, creed, marital or employment status, or sexual orientation of the applicant. Students are selected based upon information submitted as defined in the enclosed application.

**We ask that you please:**

* provide a copy of the enclosed application and information to students who you know who might qualify,
* pass the information on to any other counselors and teachers in your school system who may have contact with qualifying students,
* send or give a press release to the editor of your school’s paper,
* post the information in any other manner that you feel appropriate.

Make as many copies as needed. Additional applications and information can be obtained at **ffbciowa.org**. More brochures will gladly be provided upon request.

If you have any questions please contact me at **(515) 371-6117** or **byronhuffdm@gmail.com**. We look forward to another year of amazing stories from our Iowa high school students!

Sincerely,



**Byron Huff**

President