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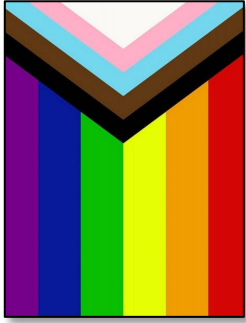


# Scholarship Awards Ceremony

Friday, June 5  
7:00 a.m.  
Hoyt Sherman Place  
Des Moines, Iowa

Speaker:  
**Zach Rus**  
Executive Director  
Iowa Safe  
Schools

**2026**



# Welcome!

**First Friday Breakfast Club** welcomes you this morning to help us honor 21 amazing Iowa high school seniors who have made a big difference in their schools and communities to promote LGBTQ+ acceptance. We celebrate these students for standing up as role models and showing others their authentic selves. **Bravo!**

## First Friday Breakfast Club

First Friday Breakfast Club is an educational forum that embraces the LGBTQ+ community and its allies as members, nourishes meaningful dialogue through monthly speakers, and cultivates young advocates for equity and inclusion by awarding leadership scholarships to graduating Iowa high school seniors.



## Scholarship Selection Process

Scholarships are awarded to outstanding Iowa high school seniors who have distinguished themselves with significant efforts to counter homophobia, promote LGBTQ+ acceptance, and educate their schools and communities on LGBTQ+ issues. Academic achievement and extra-curricular activities are also considered.

## About the Scholarship

One-time scholarships of **\$3,000** are awarded. Scholarships are paid in two installments upon receipt of the student's proof of enrollment. Awards are made without regard to gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, race, or religion.

## 2026 Scholarship Committee

Ken Hanson (Chair), Jim Flansburg, Aria Huizenga, Max Mowitz, Jonathon Pogge-Weaver, and Chris Russell

## Want to Donate?

**Help FFBC award even more scholarships next year!** The number of scholarships awarded each year depends largely on the funds raised from generous people like you. We are proud that **100%** of your gift will go directly to the scholarship program!



# Scholarship Winners

- Brynn Almond** Roland-Story High School  
Underwriters: **John Charles & David Nelson**
- Annabelle Baggett** Exira-Elk Horn-Kimballton High School  
Underwriters: **Dave & Trudy Holman Hurd**
- Claire Coffey** Carlisle High School  
Underwriter: **Jim Sterba**
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- Gabriel Conzemius** Ankeny Centennial High School
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Underwriters: **Bruce Carr & Robert Thelen**
- Zackary Jones** Carlisle High School  
Underwriters: **Brad Holland & Joe Raetz**
- Kenneth Kane** Hudson High School  
Underwriter: **Walnut Hills United Methodist Church Scholarship in honor of Miles Phipps**
- Kolbie Kriegel** Center Point-Urbana High School  
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