**2015/2016 GSA Run for Rocky Grants**

**Who is Eligible**

All GECDSB high schools in the Windsor Essex County demographic area and St Clair College and University of Windsor post-secondary school institutions that have an active GSA Clubs and GSA Sponsor Teachers/Supervisors are eligible to submit an application for the GSA Run for Rocky Grant Program.

**What can the Grants be used for?**

Grants can be used to further the education and create positive change in the school climate for LGBT students and their allies. Some suggestions for applicable Grant Projects include but are not limited to the following:

1. Educational Speaker, Comedian, Musician or Motivational Presenter whose topic reflects Gay Straight Alliance Issues, Teenage Mental Health Issues, Anti-Bullying messages, or Motivation Focused issues.
2. Legacy projects created for the school such as a mural, series of paintings, GSA film creation, GSA handbook that would remain in the school and serve as a lasting legacy to enable education on LBGT issues, GSA issues, Teenage Mental Health Issues, Anti-Bullying messages, or Motivational message that would inspire future generations of students.
3. Event Focused Education-creation of a drama presentation, GSA school theme song, poem, short story booklet, art exhibition that would be an event that serves to educate the school population on LGBT issues, Gay Straight Alliance Issues, Teenage Mental Health Issues, Anti-Bullying messages, or has a Motivational Focus.
4. Seminar Education Platforms held within your school to educate student LGBT issues, GSA Club members on Gay Straight Alliance Issues, Teenage Mental Health Issues, Anti-Bullying messages, or Motivation Focus issues.

**What the Grants are not eligible for?**

Grant Money cannot be used for food/entertainment/refreshment or travel expense of any kind. Grant money cannot be used for the purchase of t shirts. Grant Money cannot be used to award those in a supervisory volunteer role. Grant Money cannot be used for phone, fax, and computer programming expenses of any kind. Grant Money cannot be used for any miscellaneous expenditure that do not relate directly to a GSA educational focused program or event. **Grants cannot be used in conjunction with any other grant or funding.**

**Grant Award Amounts**

Grants will be awarded in the following increments, and you must clearly outline on your application what level of grant you are applying for.

Up to $300.00, $300.00-$500.00, $500.00- $750.00.

A GSA at each individual school is only allowed **one** grant application per school year. A maximum of $10,000.00 of grant money will be designated each school calendar year (annually) for disbursement and grant money will be disbursed on a first submission first approved basis. There is no guarantee that Grant money will still be available up to February 26th application deadline if submission approvals have met the maximum cap by this date.

**Grant Date Deadlines**

Grant Applications must be submitted to Windsor Pride-Run for Rocky between the first school day of each year to Friday February 26th  and must be used by the final day of school in that calendar school year. No early or late submissions will be accepted.

**Grant Payment**

All grant cheques will be issued by Windsor Pride on behalf of The Run for Rocky and will be issued in one installment once receipts or a contract are submitted for your project or event. All cheques will be mailed directly to the school attention the GSA Sponsor Teacher.

**Responsibilities of Recipients**

Recipients are required to notify Windsor Pride or Run for Rocky of any changes that occur regarding the Grant application and submit supporting documentation if requested. Recipients may be asked to participate in surveys and photo shoots for promotional purposes during your school. All projects under the grant program must recognize the Run for Rocky name/logo in project/event printing, social media announcements, school intercom announcements or with a Run for Rocky signage provided by Windsor Pride-Run for Rocky (if applicable in the case of legacy projects) once the grant has been approved.

**Grant Program Revisions**

Windsor Pride and The Run for Rocky reserve the right to review the conditions and procedures of this Grant program and to make changes at any time, including termination of the Grant Program.