

# WVMEA Future Music Educator Scholarship

WVMEA believes in the importance of developing future music educators in West Virginia. This scholarship award of \$500 recognizes upcoming music educators who set high standards for themselves and offer inspiration and direction for others. Scholarship recipients will be chosen based on academic and musical achievements, essay content, and strength of recommendations. The winning applicant's essay will be published on the WVMEA website as well as sent electronically in Etude, the monthly newsletter. Links to the winning essay will be posted on WVMEA's social media outlets. In addition, the winning applicant(s) will receive one (1) year of membership to their collegiate chapter of NAFME/ WVMEA as well as their In-Service registration fee waived for the following year.

## Qualifications

- The applicant must intend to register as a full-time music education major at a West Virginia institution in the following fall semester. If the applicant is not registered as a full-time music education major at the time of disbursement (September), the applicant forfeits the scholarship.
- The applicant must reside in West Virginia with his or her parents or legal guardians.
- The applicant must have attended a WVMEA In-Service event as either a solo and ensemble winner, all-state musician or all state vocalist at the high school level.
- The applicant's current music teacher must be a WVMEA member in good standing. <http://www.nafme.org/join/> or <http://www.nafme.org/renew/>

## Applications must be accompanied by the following:

- An essay of no more than 750 words answering the following questions: What influenced you to want to become a music educator? Why should all students have access to music education? Highlight your academic career and financial needs.
- An official high school transcript.
- Three letters of recommendation. One letter must be from a current music teacher. The others may be from any appropriate source, including a classroom teacher, guidance counselor, administrator, or private instructor.

## Other considerations:

- Application and all materials must be submitted by February 11, 2024 at 11:45pm. No late applications will be accepted. Notifications will be made prior to the In-Service.
- The scholarship will be paid directly to the recipient's college or university when the fall semester begins (September). Proof of acceptance and attendance is required before payment can be dispersed.
- The award will be presented during the All-State Concert series held at the annual WVMEA In-Service.
- The recipient will be expected to serve on the scholarship committee the following year.

## Name of Applicant \*

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## Address \*

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

Postal / Zip Code

State / Province / Region

Country

Phone \*

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Email \*

Name of high school \*

County \*

High school GPA \*

SAT/ACT GPA \*

Applicant's music teacher \*

 

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Music teacher's NAFME membership # and expiration date \*

Applicant's intended college/university \*

Describe the WVMEA In-Service event(s) you were a member of (ex. All-State Band Member, 2nd chair clarinet, years 2021-2022). \*

List other musical accomplishments, involvement in musical organizations, and appearances at WVMEA or other sponsored musical events throughout your musical career. \*

### Supporting materials

Upload an essay of no more than 750 words that answers the following questions: What influenced you to become a music educator? Why should all students have access to music education? Highlight your academic career and financial needs. (.doc, .docx, or .pdf only) \*

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Scan/upload an official high school transcript \*

No file chosen

### Letters of recommendation

Scan/attach three letters of recommendation. One letter must be from a current music teacher. The others may be from any appropriate source, including a classroom teacher, guidance counselor, administrator or private instructor.

Letter of recommendation 1 (from current music teacher) \*

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Letter of recommendation 2 \*

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Letter of recommendation 3 \*

No file chosen

Student Name \*

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Parent/Guardian Name \*

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Music Teacher's Name \*

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Today's Date \*

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