

Sunlake High School Band Boosters Scholarship Program

Sunlake High School Band Boosters Inc. will issue a minimum of one \$500 scholarship each year to a graduating student member of the Sunlake High School Band Program. This scholarship will be based on band participation and academic merit, and is not a financial aid scholarship.

MINIMUM ELEGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applicant must be a Sunlake High School Senior who is currently a member of the band or auxiliary, and who:

- 1) Is currently taking at least one band/auxiliary class, and maintaining at least a B average in that (those) class(es)
- 2) Regularly participates in after-school rehearsals, performances, auditions, assessments, etc.
- 3) Carries an overall minimum unweighted GPA of 3.0

Applicants must show evidence of intent to attend an accredited institution of higher learning, and will be asked to explain how music influences their lives. Applicants are NOT required to declare a music-related major for eligibility.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Completed application form, submitted by the March 31 deadline*, with all requested documentation attached. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.
- At least one letter of recommendation from a school source (teacher, counselor, administrator, etc.) and one from a source outside the school (employer, church, volunteer organization, etc.)
- A letter of acceptance, copy of the signature page of the admission application, or comparable documentation to demonstrate intent to attend an institution of higher learning. These may include universities, community colleges, or technical/trade schools.

*APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 31 every year. If the deadline date falls on a weekend or other non-school day, the deadline will be the following Monday. All applications must be postmarked or hand delivered to the school Guidance office by 5 p.m. on the deadline date.

SELECTION PROCESS

Applications will be reviewed and scored by a selection committee named by the Band Booster president. Parents of senior band students are not eligible to serve on this committee. Selection committee members will include, at a minimum:

- 1) One elected officer of the Band Booster organization
- 2) One representative from the school administration
- 3) One at-large parent representative

In addition to merit-related criteria, scoring will consider neatness and readability, spelling, grammar and punctuation. Ties will be broken, in order, by:

- 1) Highest average grade(s) in current band class(es); if this does not break the tie, then
- 2) Highest overall unweighted GPA; if this does not break tie, then scholarship money will be divided equally among tying applicants.

ANNOUNCEMENT AND PAYMENT

Recipient(s) will be announced at the spring banquet; scholarship money will be paid directly to the student account(s) at the institution(s) of higher learning, once the freshman semester has begun (usually in September).

SLHS BAND BOOSTERS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application Scoring: Total possible points: 115

Neatness/readability, 0-10 points; Band History, 0-45 points; School/Community History, 0-15 points; Essays, 0-45 points (content, spelling, punctuation, grammar are considered)

Student Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Parent Name(s): _____

Current Unweighted GPA: _____ Date: _____

Guidance Counselor affirmation signature: _____

Current Band Class(es) in which you are enrolled/your current grade(s):

_____ / _____

_____ / _____

Band Director affirmation signature: _____

What college/university or technical/trade school do you plan to attend in the fall?

If you plan to attend an out of state school, please write address and telephone number of registrar: _____

Have you been accepted for admission?

_____ Yes (attach copy of letter of acceptance)

_____ No (attach copy of signature page of application or comparable documentation)

What is your planned major (you may list two): _____

(Note: a music-related major is NOT required to be eligible for this scholarship)

For all questions, include information for the senior year as you intend to complete it. Students who drop out of band classes forfeit their eligibility for a Band Scholarship.

High School Band History (fill in the blanks that pertain to you)

	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
Instrument(s) or auxiliary type				
School bands in which you participated				
School band classes you completed				
Leadership positions you have held in a school band				
Did you audition for All County Band?				
Did you audition for All State Band?				
Did you perform at District Solo/Ensemble?				
Did you perform at State Solo/Ensemble?				
Other activities relevant to your band history (i.e. private lessons, honor bands, talent shows, etc.)				

School/Community History (fill in the blanks that pertain to you)

	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
School activities and organizations				
Community activities and organizations				
Leadership positions held in school/community organizations				
Music-related activities, outside of school band				
Other activities relevant to your school/community history				

Answer the following questions in 2-3 sentences.
(200 words maximum for each question – use separate paper if desired)

How has your participation helped Sunlake High School Band?

How has being a Sunlake High School band member affected/influenced you?

In what way(s) do you think music will be a part of your future?