



Fred J. Miller Memorial Music Education Fund Scholarship



DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: OCTOBER 24, 2020

Fred J. Miller, Inc. is a leader in pageantry uniform design and manufacturing, outfitting many of the world's best marching bands. As the Official Uniform Sponsor of Music for All, their support helps make Music for All's educational programs possible.

The Fred J. Miller Memorial Music Education Fund was set up to support future music educators in honor of Fred's life's work, talent, and passion for the marching arts. Mr. Miller's legacy will continue to live on through the many students who will benefit from this scholarship.

This annual scholarship will be awarded to a student nominated by his or her Director of Bands. The student must have also performed at one of the 2019 Bands of America Marching Championships or a 2020 Music for All virtual offering.

This year's award of \$2,000 is made possible through the generosity of the Fred J. Miller Memorial Music Education Fund and the Miller family. **The scholarship will be announced and awarded by December 2020.**

Each school's band director may nominate two students from his/her band. Directors should complete the nomination form and return it with the required attachments to Music for All by October 24, 2020.

Nominee Criteria

Nominees must be graduating seniors who:

- Plan to pursue a degree in music education.
- Demonstrate outstanding musicianship, leadership skills, and work ethic.
- Plan to enroll in college within one year of graduating high school.
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent on other scales).
- Participated in a 2019 Bands of America Marching Championship or will participate in a 2020 Music for All virtual offering.

Nomination Submission Requirements

Each **STUDENT** must submit the following:

1. A résumé of musical and leadership achievements focusing **on all aspects** of the student's academic, musical, extracurricular, and community service accomplishments and demonstrating the **overall** quality of the candidate.
2. An essay of at least 500 but no more than 750 words that addresses each of the following prompts:
 - Please describe the experiences and/or people that inspired you to become a music educator.
 - Why do you believe in music education, in music in your school, and in Music for All?
 - What traits do you feel are essential in a successful music educator, and how do you exemplify those traits?

Each **DIRECTOR** must complete the attached nomination form and submit the completed application (with student essay and résumé) to Music for All. **Directors should keep in mind that the quality of their responses will affect the overall application score.**

Please send completed nomination form and application materials by October 24, 2020 to:

**Music for All
Advancement Department
39 W. Jackson Pl., Suite 150
Indianapolis, IN 46225-1010
Email: advancement@musicforall.org
Fax: 317.524.6233
Questions? Call us: 800.848.2263**



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Please do not return nomination form to students. Nomination forms must be returned directly to **Music for All** by mail, fax, or email no later than October 24, 2020. Recommendation forms will be kept confidential.

Please type or print clearly.

Student Name: _____ **Student Email Address:** _____

Student Address: _____ **City, State, Zip:** _____

Student Home Phone with (area code): _____ **Parent/Guardian Name(s):** _____

Parent Email Address: _____ **School:** _____

School Address: _____ **City, State, Zip:** _____

School Phone with (area code): _____ **Band Director:** _____

Band Director Phone with (area code): _____ **Band Director Email Address:** _____

Please answer each of the following:

Student GPA: _____ on a _____ scale. How many years have you had this student in your classroom? _____

What ensembles does the student participate in? _____

Please select your responses to the following based on a scale with 1 being lowest (does not exhibit quality) and 5 being highest (strongly exhibits quality). **Keep in mind that the quality of your responses will affect the overall application score. Please type or print clearly.**

This Student:

Exhibits a high caliber of musicianship. 1 2 3 4 5

Please explain and/or provide specific examples:

Demonstrates strong leadership skills. 1 2 3 4 5

Please explain and/or provide specific examples:

Has mentoring and/or teaching experience. 1 2 3 4 5

Please explain and/or provide specific examples:



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Possesses a strong work ethic. 1 2 3 4 5

Please explain and/or provide specific examples:

Approaches obstacles with a positive attitude. 1 2 3 4 5

Please explain and/or provide specific examples:

Please use the space below to provide any additional information regarding the student's qualifications and/or extenuating circumstances regarding financial need:

I, _____, verify that this applicant, _____, is a graduating senior who intends to major in music education at a college or university. This student performed at one of the 2019 Bands of America Marching Championships or will perform in a 2020 Music for All virtual offering.

Signature of Band Director _____ Date _____

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