



2017 - 2018 Mary Gaudio Senior Scholarship Award Information and Instructions

The Allen Orchestra Booster Club invites all Senior Orchestra Students who are college bound to apply for a Scholarship from the Allen Orchestra Booster Club.

Number and Value of Scholarships

2 scholarships of \$1000 will be awarded.

Judging

All scholarships will be judged blind with the candidate's name removed and a candidate number assigned. We have enlisted three Judges from the state of Texas that have diverse backgrounds who will judge independently of one another.

The judges will be given explicit instructions for ranking the candidates in order, following the review of the student's application and essay, from first to last, corresponding with the total number of applications/essays submitted.

The results of the judge's rankings will be tabulated by a non-senior parent and presented to the orchestra directors.

Following the determination of the number of scholarships, the scholarships will be awarded as judged.

Announcement of Scholarship Recipients

Scholarship recipients will be announced at the 2018 Orchestra Banquet Ceremony. Awards will be distributed to the student and made out to the university listed on the application. Actual awards are made in June (or before). The check will be sent to the home address listed on the application.

- Winners will be announced at the 2018 Orchestra Banquet
- Awards will be distributed directly to the student AND will be made out to their chosen university/college for use towards their college endeavors

Instructions to Scholarship Candidates

Please answer all application questions, complete the essay, sign the certification, and then return the materials in a sealed envelope to the Orchestra Office by the end of school on **Friday, April 27, 2018**. Applications received after this time, will not be considered.

Detailed Student Candidates Instructions

- Requirements: The scholarship process includes the following three (3) requirements. ALL requirements must be met to be considered. Failure to submit ALL the requirements will disqualify the student from consideration.
 1. Completed Scholarship Application
 2. Written Essay (typed on separate paper, double-spaced, 650 words or less.)
 3. Certification of Application (signature on first page of application)

Essay Topic My music education and Orchestra experience at Allen High

Delivery: The application, the essay and the certification must be submitted in a sealed envelope. Failure to submit the requirements in this manner will disqualify the student from consideration. On the front of the envelope write: "Scholarship Applicant". DO NOT write your name on the outside of the envelope.

Deadline: **3:35pm, Friday, April 27, 2018**

Submission Location: **Orchestra Room**

If you have any questions regarding the Scholarship process, please contact

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2017 - 2018 Mary Gaudio Scholarship - Judging Guidelines

Objective: To recognize, honor and financially award outstanding Senior Orchestra students who are college bound and who have been impacted by their orchestra experience in the Allen ISD.

1. Application Process

- Judges will not see the personal information (name, etc.) regarding the applicant
- Judges should make their decisions and submit their results by or before the date of **Tuesday, May 8th, 2018** using the guidelines below. The applications, individual score sheets and summary score sheet should be returned to Booster Club President, Jim Miller by this date.

2. Selection Committee/Judges

- Judges should have diverse backgrounds from the arts to business, and will be selected based on availability. Judges will reside in the state of Texas and will not be directly associated with Allen High School Orchestra.

3. Selection Guidelines

- At least a 2.80 GPA to be considered by award
- Judges should rank the applications in order to be awarded based on the total number of applicants. For instance, if they receive 10 applicants they would rank the entire group 1st place through 10th place.
- Each application section should be weighted as follows:

Academic Information	10%
Orchestra/Music Information	30%
Community Service	10%
Essay	50%

Essay should reflect upon the topic:

My music education and orchestra experience in the Allen ISD has prepared me for:

4. Announcement of Awards

- Winners will be announced at the Allen HS Orchestra Banquet, **May 11, 2018**.



2017 – 2018 Mary Gaudio Scholarship - Application

The Allen Orchestra Booster Club invites all senior orchestra students who are college bound to apply for a Scholarship from the Allen Orchestra Booster Club. Please answer ALL questions in the application. Should you need additional room for your answers, you may use the back of the application.

Essays should be completed on a **separate paper**.

Please review the instructions entitled "**Scholarship Process Information and Instructions**" thoroughly. Noncompliance with these instructions will disqualify the student from consideration.

Personal Information (This is the only page that should contain your personal information)

Name _____

Grade _____ Orchestra _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Student Cell Phone _____

Student Email _____ Parent Email Address _____

Certification of Application

IMPORTANT: Review this application form and make certain you have responded accurately to all items.

I certify that all the statements made in this application form are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.

Signature _____

Date _____

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College Information

College Choices 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

Intended Major _____ Intended Minor _____

Academic Information: Please have House Counselor initial GPA and Rank.

My current OFFICIAL cumulative GPA for High School is _____

My current OFFICIAL class rank is _____

Orchestra/Music Information

I have taken School Orchestra for _____ years (include 6th and MS if applicable)

I have participated in UIL Competitions (solo, ensemble, with orchestra) _____ times

I have participated in the following extracurricular music related activities and performing groups (such as youth orchestra, church, assemblies, etc.)

<u>Group or Activity</u>	<u>Nature of participation</u>
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I have received the following special Orchestra/Music Honors, Awards, or Recognitions

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Community Service Information

I have participated in the following community service activities (if not enough room, attach any extra activities to application)

<u>Activity/Organization</u>	<u>Description of Service</u>	<u>Number of Hours</u>
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Essay Information

Please complete your essay on a separate piece of paper. Your essay should be typed, double spaced, in black ink, and have a font size no smaller than 12 point. Please limit your response to 650 words or less

DO NOT indicate your name in the body of the essay or write your name anywhere on the essay. Upon completion, essay should be stapled to this application.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION (NO EXCEPTIONS) PLEASE SEE INSTRUCTION SHEET)

- Application Deadline: 3:35 P.M. **Friday, April 27, 2018**
- Submission Location: Orchestra Room

TOPIC: My music education and orchestra experience in the Allen ISD has prepared me for:

Reference Information: Please include at least one letter of recommendation from either a teacher or church/organizational leader. Please attach recommendation to application.