

Continuing Education Scholarship Application for OMTA MusicLink Students

This scholarship is funded by the dividends earned from a \$10,000 gift to Portland District of OMTA. It will be given to one or more OMTA MusicLink students to help them pay for continuing education expenses in any field of study (does not have to be music-related). These expenses may include: tuition, supplies, books, travel expenses, room and board. The award may not be used to pay for regular music lesson fees.

The amounts awarded vary from year to year, based on earned funds available and number of worthy applicants.

Applicants for this scholarship must meet the following criteria:

- Be a full-time high school student (public school or home school)
- Be between 14 and 18 years old
- Have been in the MusicLink program for at least 9 months
- Be a current student of an OMTA teacher

Applications may be submitted at any time from September 1st through May 1st. The Oregon MusicLink Board will review the application and notify the candidate of its decision within six weeks of receiving the application. Please be mindful of continuing-education program deadlines when submitting your application, to ensure that the committee has ample time to meet and make its decision.

In determining awards, the Oregon MusicLink Board considers the following factors:

- Relevance of field of study to student's stated goals
- Teacher's recommendation
- Length of time in the MusicLink program
- Overall impression of the candidate's application

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Instructions

This three-part application must be completed for all students who wish to be considered for a continuing education scholarship. Part 1 is a form to be completed by the MusicLink teacher, parent, and/or student. Part 2 is an essay to be written by the student. Part 3 is a letter of recommendation to be written by the MusicLink teacher.

To the Teacher: Please mail or email completed application (including essay and letter of recommendation) by May 1 to:

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6841 SE Hogan Rd
Gresham, OR 97080
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Part 1: To be completed by MusicLink teacher, parent, and/or student:

Continuing education activity: _____

Dates of activity: _____

Activity contact name: _____ Activity phone: (____) _____

Activity email address: _____

Total cost of activity: \$_____ Amount requested: \$_____ (Note: The scholarship committee may not be able to grant the total requested.)

Have you applied for other financial assistance for this activity? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please provide details (organization/individual names, amount requested from each):

Student name: _____ Age: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Part 1 (continued):

Instrument: _____ Length of time in MusicLink program: ___ yrs ___ mos

School student attends: _____

Parent/Guardian name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Parent email address (optional): _____

MusicLink teacher name: _____ OMTA District: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Part 2: To be completed by MusicLink student:

Please write and attach a one-page essay describing your short- and long-term goals and dreams. How will this summer's continuing education activity contribute to achieving those aims? How has MusicLink helped you in your accomplishments?

Part 3: To be completed by MusicLink teacher:

Please write and attach a letter of recommendation outlining why your student should be awarded a continuing education scholarship.