

PMEA DISTRICT 1 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Scholarship: The Scholarship Committee has developed the following criteria for awarding three music scholarships to students in PMEA District 1.

1. Each award will be \$1,000.00. (approved August 2008)
2. Three scholarships will be awarded each year; one in strings, one in wind/percussion and one in vocal music.
3. The award will be based on music achievement and academic excellence.

Candidate Criteria:

1. All applicants must have definite plans for a career in music education or music-related field.
2. All applicants must currently be a senior in a PMEA District 1 High School .
3. All applicants must have *participated and/or qualified* in one of the PMEA District 1 Music Festivals during their *junior or senior* year.

Application Process: A complete application consists of the following:

- ❑ **All applicant information requested in the [PMEA District 1 Scholarship Application](#)**
- ❑ **Two Recommendation Letters (in PDF format)** uploaded to PMEA District 1 Scholarship Application
One recommendation must be written by the student's home school Music Director. This director must be a current member of PMEA. The second recommendation must be written from any of the following: private music teacher, high school teacher in any discipline, guidance counselor, church music director, or high school principal. *Letters of recommendation will be verified by the music director, teacher, counselor, etc.*
- ❑ **High School Transcript** uploaded to the PMEA District 1 Scholarship Application
- ❑ **A Brief Essay (in PDF format)** uploaded to the PMEA District 1 Scholarship Application
An essay (approximately 500 words in length) in response to the following questions:
 1. Why is music education/music important?
 2. Why do you want to pursue a career in music and what are your future ambitions and goals upon graduating from high school and college?

The completed application form, including uploads of the two recommendation letters, the high school transcript, and essay MUST be submitted no later 11:59 p.m. on April 1, 2021.

Questions regarding the PMEA District 1 Scholarship should be directed to the PMEA District 1 Vice-President: Eryn Carranza ekcarranza@southfayette.org

Other Important Information:

1. The award recipients will be notified via email and US mail.
2. The link to the application is available on the PMEA District 1 website.
3. The committee reserves the right to give no award in any area where applicants are not deemed qualified.