

## Proposal for Alternative Use of Scholarship Funds

Due to the MBA having two scholarship cycles where a scholarship was not awarded (the 2020 recipient did not meet the requirements to receive funds and there were no applicants for the 2021 cycle), I would like to propose a possible alternative use of the scholarship funds.

Scholarships are relatively easy to find for seniors in high school, and there are even a fair number for freshman in college. However, once students reach their second, third and fourth years in college, the scholarship opportunities dwindle significantly. I would like to propose a temporary use of the funds to provide a scholarship for an upper class man (sophomore, junior or senior) in music education at a Montana college or university.

This could be a one-time use of funds, or it could be a more permanent alternative in the even of another scholarship cycle where funds were not awarded to a high school senior.

I would propose that this college-level scholarship have an application deadline in late November, with the recipient being selected in December, so funds can be disbursed to their student account in time for the second semester. Requirements would be very similar to what is required of high school applicants (please see attached proposed application).