



Montana Bandmasters Association Music Scholarship

The Montana Bandmasters Association (MBA) recognizes the need for good band directors in the state of Montana. In order to further this belief, the MBA has established a scholarship in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00). It will be awarded to a graduating high school senior who will be going on to become a band director. In the event that the money is not awarded to a high school senior, the MBA will make the funds available to upper class men in college who are enrolled as a music education major.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. Must carry a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
2. Must be a sophomore, junior or senior in music education at a **Montana university or college** (no out of state institutions).
3. Must major on a **wind or percussion instrument**.
4. Applicant's college band director must be a member in good standing of the MBA.
5. Must submit a completed application, including all required letters and materials (listed below).

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS:

- Completed application form (see page 2)
- Current college transcript (for all completed semesters)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation selected from the following:
 - Current college band director
 - Music education professor
 - Private instrument instructor
- An essay detailing your reasoning for wanting to become a band director and how this money will benefit you (500 words or less)
- Additional written materials (please include all of the following):
 - Musical organizations and activities of which you have been a member (college only, please)
 - Any awards you have received (college only, please)
 - Large and small ensembles you are a member of

DISBURSEMENT DETAILS:

Payment will be made to the recipient's financial aid account for the second semester of the recipient's sophomore, junior or senior year as a music education major. In order to receive the funds, the recipient must meet the following requirements:

1. Successfully completed a minimum of one year PLUS one semester as a full time music education major with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
2. Be enrolled as a full time music education major for the upcoming semester.

If for any reason the recipient does not meet these requirements, the scholarship will go to the second place finalist.

SUBMISSION INFORMATION:

Applications can be submitted by email or through the postal service. Mailed applications must be postmarked by **November 22, 2021**. Emailed applications must be received by **11:59 p.m. on November 22, 2021**. Applicants shall be notified by December 1, 2021 if they have been selected as the scholarship recipient. Please send all application materials to:

Jennifer Skogley
1202 Leslie Ave.
Helena, MT 59601

OR

Email all application materials to: jskogley@gmail.com



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Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

(Please make sure this is an email address that you check regularly.)

Band Director's Name: _____

Montana college/university you attend: _____

Main instrument (wind or percussion): _____

Private instructor: _____

I have attached the following required materials:

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By submitting this application, I certify that I meet the eligibility requirements.