

MANSFIELD BAND PARENT'S ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

GENERAL CRITERIA FOR APPLICATION / AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIP:

1. Must be an active band member, in good standing, and have been a member for three or more years in any high school Marching Band, Concert Band, Jazz Band, Color and/or Winter Guard, or Percussion Ensemble, or combination thereof. Minimum of one complete academic year or performance period in a Mansfield High School unit noted above. Please see Addendum 1 for examples.
2. Have been accepted into an accredited institution of higher learning.
3. Have shown a willingness to advance the quality of the Mansfield High School Band / Color Guard through his / her: (one or more categories)
 - a. Musicianship and/or dedication
 - b. Leadership
 - c. Citizenship
 - d. Service
4. Have participated in at least one other high school or community extracurricular activity during their junior or senior year.
5. Student's academic standing and rank in class *may* be considered.
6. Must present one letter of recommendation from a teacher or administrator (not the Band Director/Staff) in the Mansfield School system in a separate, sealed envelope, with his/her application.

Must be postmarked by May 13th, 2016.

SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

There are two scholarships available for award in 2016.

To be given to any senior member of the Mansfield High School Bands/Color Guard, who has fulfilled all other listed general criteria, and has been accepted into any accredited college - university - school. If there are no applicants or eligible students, past recipients still in college may be notified and encouraged to reapply, if they are a student in good standing with a recommendation to continue.

Any questions should be directed to Mansfieldbandparents@gmail.com

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Check off which year(s) you were a member of these groups:

Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Marching Band: _____ _____ _____ _____

Concert Band: _____ _____ _____ _____

Jazz Band: _____ _____ _____ _____

Color/Winter Guard _____ _____ _____ _____

Winter Percussion: _____ _____ _____ _____

What instrument or piece of equipment do you carry? _____

What other non-musical organizations or activities have you participated in (within or outside of your school and community)?

Name and location of accepting college: _____

BE SURE TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING WHEN YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION.

- ___ 1. APPLICATION
- ___ 2. PERSONAL COVER LETTER FROM THE APPLICANT, WHICH INCLUDES:
 - a. Statements of your contributions to your school's musical organization
 - b. College and professional goals
- ___ 3. ONE LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FROM A FACULTY MEMBER (not the band director or staff.)
- ___ 4. A COPY OF YOUR COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE LETTER

All materials must be postmarked no later than May 13th and mailed to:

Mansfield Band Parent's Association, Inc.
PO Box 147
Mansfield, MA 02048

Only those applications addressed and received as noted above will be considered.

Addendum 1

A non-exclusive listing of examples to qualify for the three (3) year participation requirement.

1. 3 full years in one or more of the listed units.
2. A mix of the units. Freshman: High School band, Junior/Senior: Jazz Band.
3. Percussion or Winter Guard for any 3 years, including 2 years in one and 1 year in the other.
4. 2 years in Mansfield High school marching band, 1 year in MHS percussion.

Transfer credits are fully recognized, as the emphasis is on long-term commitment to performance in high school based programs. For instance, if you discovered music or guard in your junior year, but had no earlier participation, even if you are wholly involved, you cannot qualify.

The scholarship committee drafted these guidelines with thought given to the time restrictions in the day time school schedule. A student who cannot participate in regular Marching or concert band for a semester or year is not unnecessarily penalized as only 3 years in any mix of units is required to qualify.