



## Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra Music Scholarship

Application Deadline: Feb. 1, 2024

The Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra Music Scholarship is awarded to a high school junior living within Plymouth County who intends to apply in the fall of senior year to a four-year music program majoring in Music Performance (instrumental or vocal), Music Education, or Music Composition.

The scholarship is given in the junior year to enhance a student's chances of admission to the music school of his or her choice. The award of up to \$2,500 may include reimbursements for:

- Additional music lessons
- Masterclasses or workshops
- Summer music camp
- Travel costs to any of the above
- Purchase better instruments or related equipment
- Other such expenses to assist in raising the level of a student's qualifications as an applicant to a music program will be considered

### Application Criteria

**Demonstration of Merit and Commitment:** Applicants will have participated in musical endeavors for a minimum of three years, demonstrating a level of proficiency and commitment to their musical studies that predicts success at a college music program.

**Demonstration of Financial Need:** Each applicant will be considered based on their relative financial need.

### Application Process

Step 1:

- The student completes the Music Scholarship application form.
- A parent or guardian fills out the financial disclosure form.
- The student arranges for high school transcripts to be sent to the Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra Scholarship Committee at the address below.
- The student completes the application essay.

Step 2:

- Send the completed application, financial disclosure, essay, and any additional music materials desired to the Plymouth Philharmonic Scholarship Committee by the deadline of **February 1, 2024: [musicscholarship@plymouthphil.org](mailto:musicscholarship@plymouthphil.org)** (Include your last name as part of your file name.)

**Or mail to:** Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 3174,  
Plymouth, MA 02361

Step 3:

- All finalists will be invited to meet with the Scholarship Committee for an interview.

**Questions? Contact *the Phil* at 508-746-8008; [musicscholarship@plymouthphil.org](mailto:musicscholarship@plymouthphil.org).**



**STUDENT APPLICATION FORM**  
**Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra Music Scholarship**

**Student Name:**

Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents/Guardians Names:**

Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address**

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address, if different from above**

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Parent Cell Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Cell Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**School Attending** \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Anticipated Graduation Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Grade Point Average** \_\_\_\_\_

**In separate attachments, please include the items listed below:**

- A. Music Activities and Accomplishments. **List all music activities** in which you have participated from junior high to today. Include any awards and honors you have earned as well as publications and performances.
- B. Goals: In **an essay** of 250 words or less, explain the importance of music in your life and outline your goals for studying music at college and beyond.
- C. Explain what you intend to do with this scholarship. If you are selected for the scholarship more detailed information will be required.
- D. High school transcript
- E. A 2-3 minute MP3 or video of a solo instrumental or vocal performance, or a sample of an original composition.

**Provide 2 Letters of Recommendation from:**

- A music teacher
- A non-family member, such as a coach, mentor, employer, another teacher, a family friend

**Student Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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Submit the student application form, transcript, essay, financial disclosure form filled out by parents/guardians, and any attachments by the submission deadline of **FEBRUARY 1, 2024**.

**Digital applications are preferred** and should be sent to

**music scholarship@plymouthphil.org**

Include your last name as part of each file name.

Or mail your application packet to...

Junior Music Scholarship  
Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra  
PO Box 3174  
Plymouth, MA 02361

## **Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra Music Scholarship Selection Process**

- The Scholarship Committee reviews all completed applications.
- The Scholarship Committee, which includes the Plymouth Philharmonic Music Director, conducts interviews with up to five (5) finalist candidates and selects one (1) who receives the scholarship.
- Interview candidates will be judged on a broad set of criteria including musical achievements, future goals, focus, motivation, presentation, and financial need. A candidate may submit a portfolio of programs and/or school news articles, but these materials are optional.

### **Scholarship Award**

- The Plymouth Philharmonic Orchestra will make a direct payment to the scholarship winner.
- The winner must share with the Scholarship Committee receipts to show how the money was spent within one year (1) of the award and also explain in writing the benefits of having received the award.
- The Committee reserves the right not to award a scholarship when its members agree there is no suitable candidate.



**Junior Scholarship  
Parent/Guardian Financial Disclosure Form**

**Please provide the following information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address:

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependents living at home: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependents attending college: \_\_\_\_\_

Income Range (Please include all sources of income to the household):

Below \$50,000

\$50,000 - \$100,000

\$100,000 - \$200,000

Above \$200,000

Do you own your own home?  Yes  No

**Explain any special circumstances about your family's financial situation. You may attach an additional page if needed.**

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_