

DAUPHIN COUNTY MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION



PMEA'S FUTURE MUSIC EDUCATORS HONORS SYMPOSIUM

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

This scholarship will be to underwrite a student's participation in the PMEA Future Music Educator's Honors Symposium

One scholarship based upon academic and music excellence will be awarded to the most deserving high school, as selected by the DCMEA Scholarship Committee. The check will be made payable to PMEA upon acceptance into the program by PMEA. Prior to the distribution of funds, the DCMEA Treasurer will contact PMEA and confirm the student's enrollment for the current year's participants. The scholarship will also be withdrawn if the winner decides not to attend the symposium before the due date set by PMEA and must notify the Scholarship Committee no later than March 18, 2026.

REQUIREMENTS:

Application must be emailed or mailed to DCMEA Vice-President by March 18, 2026.

Applicant must be...

- Graduating senior from a participating high school in Dauphin County
- Planning a career in music education
- Participating in a 2026 DCMEA Festival

DCMEA uses the following criteria as appears on the PMEA website:

For – Pennsylvania High School Seniors who have been accepted at a college or university to major in music education. A maximum of 20 students will be chosen from the applications submitted.

Purpose – To present a series of experiences within these students' chosen career path, in a professional setting. Students will be making connections with their future peers and mentors, creating a support system for their career preparation, and having opportunities to discuss and reflect on all aspects of their future careers with college music education majors and professional educators.

When – Running concurrently with the 2025 PMEA Annual Conference, April 22-25 in the Poconos, PA.

Requirements – Students should be in high academic standing. Applications will be chosen based on academic achievement, participation in musical activities and courses, participation in the community and leadership experience.

Cost – \$450 (includes conference registration, chaperoned housing and meals at the convention center)

Evidence of acceptance into a college program for music education, letters of recommendation, personal statement, copy of grades (transcript), cumulative average and class rank, and sponsorship by the PMEA HS director are required in the online application.

Conflict of Opportunity – *If a student chosen for this program also qualifies for an All-State performing ensemble, they will have the opportunity to choose which program to accept.*

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Application Deadline – March 18, 2026

APPLICATION PROCESS

The scholarship will be made known to all seniors participating in the county music festivals by the respective director of their school ensemble. The application will be made available online on our website. It is strongly recommended that all teachers of senior high participants print out a copy and pass them out to their students, so no one is left out of the process. The deadline for applications will be March 18, 2026.

Completed applications will be returned to the Vice President who will serve as chairperson of the Scholarship Committee.

SELECTION PROCESS

The Scholarship Committee will consist of:

- DCMEA Vice-President – Committee Chair
- DCMEA President • DCMEA Secretary
- DCMEA Treasurer
- Hosts of respective county festivals.

The scholarship committee will meet after the deadline date to select a winner.

Each committee member will evaluate the applicants, and the committee chair will review the evaluations and award the scholarships accordingly

APPLICATION PACKET MUST CONSIST OF:

- Completed Application (attached)
- A copy of your HS Transcript
- Your 150 word statement on why you wish to become an outstanding music educator and what thoughtful contribution you would make, as well as benefit you could derive from the Honors Symposium:
- An evaluation and endorsement (recommendation) from your high school music director/PMEA member.
- Verification of college application and acceptance at an accredited college, university or conservatory for the study of Music Education (please make sure documentation includes the address of the college/university/ conservatory). If a decision has not yet been made and you are deciding between multiple schools, you may include documentation for each school you are considering. If acceptance has not yet been received, attach proof of application to an accredited college, university or conservatory for the study of Music Education.
- A recommendation from your private music teacher.
- Any other supporting documentation.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION:

Completed applications should be sent to the DCMEA Vice-President, Ms. Kristen Zlogar

Email: dcmeascholarships@gmail.com

Mail: DCMEA Scholarships

C/O Kristen Zlogar

1155 N Union St.

Middletown, PA 17057

STUDENT APPLICATION

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Please type or print all information and letters of recommendations

STUDENT NAME: _____ STUDENT AGE: _____

STUDENT EMAIL: _____

PARENT/GUARIAN NAME(S): _____ PRIMARY PHONE #: _____

_____ PRIMARY PHONE #: _____

SCHOOL NAME AND DISTRICT: _____

COLLEGE YOU WILL ATTEND: _____

PMEA DISTRICT 7 DIRECTOR'S NAME: _____

DIRECTOR'S EMAIL: _____ DIRECTOR'S PHONE #: _____

List all musical ensembles and music activities in which you participate(d) at your high school and the number of years you have participated. Grades 10-12 only:

List the high school PMEA and/or NAFME festivals in which you have participated and include the dates of each festival. Grades 10-12 only:

List all the ensembles and musical activities in which you participate(d) outside of school.
Grades 10-12 only:

Private Lessons: List teachers, instruments, and/or voice and years studied:

List any special honors in music, academic honors, and/or leadership opportunities you've had. Grades 10-12 only:

List evidence of piano study, piano experience, accompanying:

Class Rank (nclude total number of students; if no class rank, include your GPA: _____

Are you a Tri-M Honor Society Member? _____ YES _____ NO

Are you a National Honor Society Member? _____ YES _____ NO

Please check the festivals you have attended:

Band	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
County			
District			
Regional			
State			
Chorus	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
County			
District			
Regional			
State			
Orchestra	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
County			
District			
Regional			
State			

- Attache your **150 word** statement on why you wish to become and outstanding music educator and what thoughtful contribution you would make, as well as benefit you could derive from the Honors Symposium.
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- Attach a recommendation from your private music teacher.
- Attach any supporting documentation.

Return all material by March 18, 2026 to the Vice-President of DCMEA

My signature below indicates that I have completed this application. I confirm all information is truthful and correct

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____

DIRECTOR SIGNATURE: _____