



2023-24 Financial Aid Information

Gifted Music School is committed to making quality music education accessible to dedicated students of all backgrounds. Through the generosity of our donors, we are able to accomplish this by offering a limited number of need-based, partial tuition scholarship awards each year.

Note: Submitting an application does not guarantee any financial assistance will be granted—the scholarship committee reviews all applications and makes award decisions based upon demonstrated financial need and available funds. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Dean's Office at scholarships@giftedmusicschool.org.

Application Deadlines

All applications for financial aid must be submitted by the corresponding semester's posted deadline.
Applications submitted after this date cannot be considered until the next semester.

SEMESTER	DEADLINE TO APPLY
Fall 2023	July 24, 2023 by 5:00 p.m.
Spring 2024	December 11, 2023 by 5:00 p.m.
Summer 2024	May 6, 2024 by 5:00 p.m.

Eligibility

Dedicated, hard-working students who demonstrate both (1) a commitment to focused, high-level music education and (2) financial need for tuition assistance are eligible to apply for a scholarship.

Note: New students in financial hardship are encouraged to apply; however, due to limited funds, preference may be given to students who have been enrolled for one or more semesters.

Scholarship recipients are required to maintain the following standards:

1. Access to instrument for daily practice.
2. Demonstration of dedicated work as reported by instructor(s).
3. 100% attendance, except in case of family emergency or illness.
4. Compliance with school policies and procedures, signed at the beginning of each year.
5. Demonstrated continued need of financial assistance.

Note: Scholarships are awarded annually and eligible for renewal each year in the fall; however, scholarships are reviewed on a semester basis. Any student found not adhering to the standards outlined above may have their scholarship revoked.

How to Apply

Step 1) Print and complete the **2023-24 Financial Aid Application**.

Step 2) Attach a copy of all parent/guardian most recent IRS Form-1040 Personal Income Tax Returns and obscure all private Social Security information.

Step 3) Write a brief personal statement describing your family's financial hardship and explaining how a scholarship would impact your child's ability to study at Gifted Music School.

Step 4) Provide two (2) letters of recommendation: one (1) from the student's current Gifted Music School faculty member (or previous private teacher if student is new to Gifted Music School), and one (1) from a schoolteacher, principal, or advisor who can speak for the student's character and work ethic.

Note: Recommendations should not be delivered by students or parents. Please ask your recommenders to send digital copies of their letters to scholarships@giftedmusicschool.org or to mail printed letters to the Dean's Office (address listed below).

Step 5) Email your signed application and attachment(s) to scholarships@giftedmusicschool.org no later than 5:00pm mountain time on the aforementioned deadlines. Electronic submissions are preferred; however, mailed applications are also accepted at the following address:

EMAIL TO: <i>(preferred)</i>	OR MAIL TO:
scholarships@giftedmusicschool.org	Attn: Dean's Office Gifted Music School 182 South 600 East Salt Lake City, UT 84102

Non-Discrimination Policy

Gifted Music School is committed to equal opportunity and to compliance with state and federal anti-discrimination laws. All decisions regarding school admissions, studio placement, jury examinations, performance opportunities, masterclass participation, selection of financial aid recipients, and other school operations or conditions of admission and scholarship retention shall be made without unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, pregnancy (including childbirth, pregnancy-related conditions, breastfeeding and medical conditions relating to breastfeeding), sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, work related injury, genetic information, marital status and membership in the armed forces or reserves.

Gifted Music School will not tolerate discrimination or harassment based upon these characteristics or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local law.

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OFFICE OF THE DEAN

Please read the 2023-24 Financial Aid Information sheet and confirm that you meet all eligibility requirements prior to completing this application form.

Applications and all supporting materials must be submitted or postmarked by the published application deadlines in order to be considered for financial assistance from Gifted Music School.

Submit all materials electronically to scholarships@giftedmuiscschool.org.

STEP 1 ›

STUDENT NAME

NAME OF SCHOOL

GRADE IN SCHOOL

BIRTHDATE (mm/dd/yyyy)

WITH WHOM DOES THE STUDENT LIVE?

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Both parents

☐

One parent

☐

Other

PARENT NAME

PHONE

EMAIL

MUSICAL EXPERIENCE (optional)

Include anything you wish the scholarship committee to know about your musical experience.

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STEP 2 ›

STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- ☐ I agree to abide by all school policies and regulations.
- ☐ I confirm that I have access to my primary instrument of instruction for daily practice.
- ☐ I agree to practice and prepare for each lesson according to the expectations and requirements outlined by my instructor and parent(s).
- ☐ I agree to arrive prepared and on time for my all lessons, classes, rehearsals, performances, and other Gifted Music School activities for which I am registered.
- ☐ I agree to attend all classes and activities, except in cases of family emergency or illness. I will notify my instructor and student services of any absence as soon as possible.
- ☐ I agree to be respectful and attentive during my lessons.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

STEP 3 ›

PARENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- ☐ I agree to abide by all school policies and regulations.
- ☐ I agree to attend all lessons with my child.
- ☐ I agree to support my child during their daily practice.
- ☐ I agree to have my child at each lesson and group class on time.
- ☐ I agree to meet all applicable deadlines for paying tuition balances or fees not covered by my child's financial aid award.
- ☐ I certify that the information and supporting documentation in this application is current, accurate, and complete.
- ☐ I understand that falsification of any information or materials connected with this application may nullify current awards and prohibit future financial aid.

PARENT SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

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STEP 4 ›

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Please attach the following materials with your application:

1. Most recent personal income tax returns (obscure SSN information).
2. Personal statement of financial hardship.
3. Two (2) letters of recommendation: one from a Gifted Music School faculty member and another from a school teacher, principal, or advisor not affiliated with Gifted Music School.

One may also attach any additional documentation that is helpful when reviewing the application (such as a bank statement, social security statement, proof of unemployment, etc.)

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Eligible

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Ineligible

Amount Awarded

Authorized By

Signature

Date