

Adel Opportunity Music Scholarship

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this distribution of scholarships funding shall be to support the continued progress of advanced band and orchestra students in the Northern Arizona region. Eligible students would be deemed worthy of financial assistance by demonstrating both financial need and merit (talent) for scholarship assistance. Funds awarded to eligible students would be used to offset the cost of private lesson instruction through the NAU Academy.

DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS:

\$4-5,000 allotted toward Advanced level band and orchestra students (grade 9 – 12) based upon merit (talent) and financial need. Scholarships could be awarded by audition, teacher recommendation, paper application, or a combination of these options. Based upon individual need and merit, scholarships would be awarded as half or full, as determined by the committee (described below).

CRITERION FOR APPLICANTS:

Students must meet the following criterion to be considered for a scholarship:

- 1) Student must be an advanced level student currently enrolled in a high school band or orchestra program.
- 2) Student should display aptitude (musical growth) and strong work ethic to their director, and should demonstrate interest and potential for musical growth and further study at the collegiate level.
- 3) Student must demonstrate financial need, i.e. the student would not be able to afford private lessons without the scholarship.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Application process would include:

- 1) The student must return the attached application to his or her director.
- 2) Student must submit a one page letter explaining why he or she should be considered for a music camp scholarship. The student may also include a separate resumé to further describe his or her musical and educational experiences and abilities.
- 3) A recommendation letter from a current music teacher/instructor expressing support for this individual as a music scholarship recipient must be included.
- 4) A live audition/Interview with the scholarship panel (if needed, date to be determined)

All applications, along with supporting materials, must be submitted to the Program Coordinator of the NAU Music and Dance Academy no later than Friday, September 4, 2009.

Collection of applications will be managed by the Program Coordinator of the NAU Community Music and Dance Academy, but this person is *not* eligible to act as a member of the four member selection panel.

Lessons will be provided by NAU faculty studio instructors or designated advanced private lesson teachers and will be coordinated through the NAU Music and Dance Academy.

SELECTION PROCESS AND HALF/FULL SCHOLARSHIP DETERMINATION

Four=Member Panel

Selection of scholarship recipients will be determined by a four member panel, using a strict set of guidelines outlined herein. The panel will be volunteers, selected by the scholarship committee, and must include at least 2 local musicians *not* employed directly by the NAU Community Music and Dance

Academy (local music educators, directors, instructors, and professional musicians would be the primary candidates).

Selection Criteria for Scholarship Applicants

- 1) Applicants must meet all required criteria to be considered
 - a) Demonstration of Merit (talent)
 - b) Age/Grade (grades 9 – 12)
 - c) All application materials received
 - d) Evidence of family's support for and interest in music/arts
- 2) Primary instrument only (money may not be awarded towards pursuit of a second instrument)
- 3) Musical merit/dedication (based upon teacher's recommendation letter, applicant's letter, audition, past achievements, etc...)
- 4) Level of need (the Panel will use a structured set of guidelines to determine "gradations" of need)
- 5) Teacher availability for specific instrument

REQUIREMENTS OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

- 1) Adel Foundation Scholarship Recipients are requested to write a letter of thanks to the Adel Foundation.
- 2) Students are expected to attend every lesson and meet teacher expectations.



2009 ADEL OPPORTUNITY MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please complete the following application, and include a one-page letter explaining why you should be considered for a music camp scholarship. You may also include a separate resumé to further describe your musical and educational experiences and abilities.

This application will only be considered if it is supported and agreed upon by the NAU faculty studio instructor or other designated advanced private lesson teacher of the same instrument of the applicant.

Date ____/____/____

Student Name _____
Birth date ____/____/____ Grade entering in Fall 2009 (circle one): 9 10 11 12
Current School _____
Primary Instrument _____
Mailing Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Parent/Guardian name(s) _____

Telephone: HOME (____) ____ - ____ - ____ CELL (____) ____ - ____ - ____
 WORK (____) ____ - ____ - ____

Parent/Guardian Email Address _____ @ _____

Parent/Guardian Mailing Address (if different than student) _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Current Private lesson instructor's name (if applicable) _____

How many years have you taken lessons on your primary instrument? _____

Private lesson teacher's phone number _____

Musical activities you currently participate in or have participated in during the **past year** (attach additional sheet/resume if necessary).

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

(THIS SECTION SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GAURDIAN.
All answers to the following questions will be kept confidential)

Annual household income \$_____ (Combined total of all adults who contribute to the income of your household.)

Does your student participate in a subsidized school lunch program (circle one)? Yes / No

How many children/dependents do you have? _____

Has your family experienced any unexpected financial hardship due to accident, illness, unemployment, etc., in the **past 12 months**? Please explain.

What are the occupations of the adults in the applicant's household?

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

This application must be postmarked no later than **September 4, 2009**.

Mail to:

NAU Community Music and Dance Academy
Adel Opportunity Music Scholarship Committee
Box 6040
Flagstaff AZ 86011