

Appendix B
Genie Fuhrman Memorial Music Scholarship
Our Saviour's Lutheran Church (OSLC)
Application Criteria

DESCRIPTION

The Genie Fuhrman Memorial Music Scholarship was initiated in 2022 to memorialize Genie Fuhrman and her musical contributions to the congregation and individuals in OSLC and to the Victoria Area. Contributions from the public may be added to the scholarship fund at any time. Scholarships may be awarded annually if funds are available.

PURPOSE

The scholarship program exists to financially assist those qualified individuals seeking to attend an accredited institution of higher learning for the purpose of focusing on a music major or minor. The scholarship may be awarded to deserving graduating high school seniors, GED recipients or college students. The scholarship will be awarded for a school year (to include a Fall and Spring semester), but applicants can choose to apply the funds to one or both semesters for the upcoming school year.

The number of scholarships and the amount of each one will be determined by several factors:

- 1.) the available funds in the scholarship account.
- 2.) the number of applicants who apply in the given year of disbursement.
- 3.) the discretion of the scholarship committee.

The scholarship will be applied to the cost of undergraduate or graduate tuition, fees, room, board, books, and other institution expenses and will be disbursed to the appropriate entity, not to the applicant.

ELIGIBILITY

- 1.) Applicant must be working toward a degree in a college, university or technical school which is fully accredited and must be majoring or minoring in vocal or instrumental music.
- 2.) Applicant must have established and maintain a satisfactory academic grade of 75 or 2.5 GPA.
- 3.) Scholarships are not automatically renewed for succeeding school years. Current recipients must submit a new application to be eligible for consideration for renewal.
- 4.) Applications for scholarships must be completed and all required materials must be submitted by May 1 for the upcoming school year.

DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

The application packet should include:

- 1.) Completed application
- 2.) Letter of acceptance from the institution of higher learning that applicant will be attending
- 3.) Two letters of recommendation (one personal, one professional); letters cannot be from family
- 4.) Copy of recent grades (transcript)
- 5.) Typed essay that is consistent with the assigned topic (see page 2 of application)

PROCEDURE FOR REQUESTING AND ADMINISTERING SCHOLARSHIPS

- 1.) Upon completion, the application packet is to be submitted to the Scholarship Committee by May 1.
- 2.) All qualifying applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee. The committee reserves the right to interview each qualified applicant before the initial scholarship is awarded and may require future interviews at the committee's discretion.
- 3.) The Scholarship Committee may award as many or as few scholarships as is deemed appropriate in a school year and as funds permit.
- 4.) The Scholarship Committee will base their decisions on all or some of the following:
 - Involvement in community organizations and activities
 - Potential the applicant demonstrates in pursuing his/her musical field of study
 - Academic performance
- 5.) The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to withhold scholarships if no applicants are deemed to meet the qualifications.
- 6.) The names of the scholarship recipient(s) will be announced in a timely manner after the application deadline.
- 7.) After the application is approved by the Scholarship Committee, scholarship funds will be sent to the designated institution and credited to the student's account. The applicant will be informed of this action.

THE COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE AND AMEND ALL RULES AND GUIDELINES AT ANY TIME WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE.

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