



2017-2018 Season Financial Aid Application

Auditioned Ensembles: PLEASE DO NOT APPLY UNTIL YOU HAVE RECEIVED YOUR ORCHESTRA PLACEMENT

Application Process

A completed application, providing all information requested, must accompany each request for financial aid. Each student seeking assistance will be asked to write a short essay describing his/her musical experiences and ambitions. Additionally, each family must provide a needs statement written by the parent(s)/guardian(s). A list of music teacher references is also required. The Oklahoma Youth Orchestras Financial Aid Committee may request that the application be supplemented by additional written comments or personal interviews.

All information provided by applicants will be held confidentially and will be made available only to members of the Financial Aid Committee, Executive Director, and Board Chairman.

Financial aid applications must be received by August 1, 2017 for students accepted during the normal audition period. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered. Applicants will be notified of approval/disapproval in August. Remaining balance of any tuition will be due as noted on the Financial Aid Award Letter. Festival Strings and Rockin' Strings applications are due October 1, 2017. Students accepted into the organization outside of the normal audition period will need to submit their financial aid application within 30 days of receiving their acceptance letter. Notification of approval/disapproval will be sent within 30 day of receipt and will include information regarding tuition balance payment.

Applicants will be required to apply each season. Financial Aid for future seasons may be compromised should a family fail to follow the Attendance Policy, fail to adhere to Code of Conduct, or become delinquent in payments.

Families applying for financial aid with multiple students in the program should include an additional application for each student, completing **ONLY** the Students Information and Student Essay for each additional student. Families receiving financial aid will not be extended additional discounts. Multiple students and multiple ensembles are taken into consideration when awarding financial aid.

Criteria for Awarding Financial Aid

Financial aid will be granted based upon availability of funds, demonstrated financial/family need and level of commitment expressed by the student. Assistance will only be given in the form of credit toward tuition. Trip expenses, rentals, merchandise, and fees are not included. Students receiving financial aid totaling more than one-half the original cost of tuition are not eligible for the monthly payment plan.

**ALL applications MUST include a copy of most recent W-2 Form or other proof of income.
PLEASE KEEP THIS PAGE FOR YOUR RECORDS**

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Please print

STUDENT INFORMATION:

1. Name of Student _____
2. Date of Birth _____ Ensemble _____
3. Home Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
4. Phone Number _____

PARENT (Guardian) INFORMATION: (If either parent is deceased, please indicate.)

1. Father's name _____
2. Father's Home Address and Phone Number (if different from student)
Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone Number _____
3. Father's Occupation _____ Title _____
Employed by _____ Years with Present Employer _____
Annual Income Before Taxes _____ (please attach copy of most recent W-2 or 1099)
4. Mother's Name _____
5. Mother's Home Address and Phone (if different from student)
Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone Number _____
6. Mother's Occupation _____ Title _____
Employed by _____ Years with Present Employer _____
Annual Income Before Taxes _____ (please attach copy of most recent W-2 or 1099)
7. If divorced/separated, does the custodial parent receive child support? _____ Amount annually \$ _____
Does non-custodial parent assist with educational expenses? _____ No _____ Yes
If yes, to what extent? _____

INCOME/EXPENSE INFORMATION:

8. Please list the amount and sources of any additional family income you may have (i.e. trust funds, Social Security for children, etc.).

9. Additional Dependent Children (excluding enrolled student in our program):

| <i>Name of Child</i> | <i>Age</i> | <i>School or College</i> | <i>Amount of Tuition Paid by Parent</i> | <i>Amount of Aid Received by Parent</i> |
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10. Please list the **MONTHLY** amount of other financial obligations you may have.

Car Payment _____ Medical Bills _____
 Credit Card Debt _____ Rent or Mortgage _____
 Other Debts _____

I represent that all information in this application is accurate and a fair disclosure of my present financial condition. I understand that as part of the application process, representatives of the Oklahoma Youth Orchestras may contact the music teachers in your support materials, as well as the conductor(s) of the ensemble(s) of which I am and/or have been a part. I understand that should my family receive financial assistance, we must accept the award and may be required to write thank you notes to donors, provide an end of year testimonial regarding our experience, and volunteer a specific number of hours.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

DON'T FORGET YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING SUPPORT MATERIALS:

- **Student Essay no less than 100 words and no more than 250 words about their musical ambitions.**
- **Family Needs Statement provided by family as to why you are seeking financial aid and any additional information you wish for the committee to consider when determining award amounts.**
- **Two (2) music teachers including email and/or phone number. One teacher must be from the student's most recent school program if applicable.**
- **W-2 or other current proof of income in support of Questions #3 and #6.**

Send to:
 Oklahoma Youth Orchestras
 2501 North Blackwelder
 Oklahoma City, OK 73106

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| Received _____ | Approve _____ Disapprove _____ Amount \$ _____ |
| Award Sent _____ | Award Accept _____ V _____ TY _____ Ts _____ |