



MARY LEE FITZ WARREN CONCERT BAND STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES 2023

APPLICATION FORMS

Forms will be available **on line** (<http://warrenconcertband.com>), or from **high school band directors located in the City of Warren and Warren Consolidated Schools**, or from a **Warren Concert Band member or WCB Board member**.

ELIGIBILITY

Current **ninth** through **eleventh** grade students **currently enrolled** in a school band program and who play an instrument included in traditional concert band instrumentation are eligible provided they meet any one or more of the following criteria:

1. Attend a high school in the City of Warren.
2. Attend a high school in the Warren Consolidated Schools.
3. Live in the City of Warren.
4. OR Are sponsored by a current Warren Concert Band or WCB Board member.
(only one student may be sponsored per band or board member each year)
Please note that previous scholarship recipients are not eligible.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS (Revised for 2023)

- 1) Mary Lee Fitz-WCB scholarships may be used as payment for private lessons with a maximum payment of \$30 per lesson. *Payment will be made directly to the student upon receipt of the Private Lesson Verification form indicating lessons taken and paid for.*
- 2) **New for 2023:** WCB Scholarships may also be used for upgrading of the student's primary band instrument, whether it is reeds, repairs, new mouthpiece, maintenance items music books (for that instrument) or upgrading the instrument to a better quality. Reimbursement up to the amount of the scholarship awarded will be provided when the receipts for said purchases are received and verified. WCB reserves the right to approve reasonable purchases.
- 2) Scholarship Awards will be made at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee and must be used (lessons completed or purchases made) by **December 31, 2023**. The Decisions of the Scholarship Judges and Committee are final.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Candidates must complete all of the following requirements in order to be scheduled for a live audition:

1. Submit an **application** by **Friday, March 17, 2023**.
2. Submit a **reference** from their current band director, **and** (if applicable), one from their **private instrumental instructor** by **Friday, March 17, 2023**. **Although a signature alone is required, a letter of recommendation is highly suggested.**
3. Once scheduled, each applicant must complete an audition before the selection committee on **Tuesday, April 11, 2023** in the Music Wing of Warren Lincoln High School, 22900 Federal Warren, MI 48089
4. Audition times and directions will be arranged after **complete** application packets have been received.
5. ***At the time of the audition, please provide two (2) copies of the solo music for the adjudication panel The copies do not have to be originals. Piano accompaniment is optional.**

SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

*Scholarships will be presented at Intermission of the Spring Concert of the Warren Concert Band on **Sunday, May 21, 2023** at 3:00 p.m. in the Warren Woods Tower High School Auditorium*

PRIVATE LESSON VERIFICATION LOG

In order to receive the scholarship check, the **Private Lesson Verification Log** is to be sent to the address listed on that form **no later than January 15, 2024**. A check will be sent to the scholarship recipient within thirty (30) days after the log has been received.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR QUALIFYING MUSIC EQUIPMENT PURCHASES (NEW FOR 2023)

The award will cover reimbursement for qualifying purchases made before **December 31, 2023** and receipts for said purchases submitted before **January 15, 2024**. Qualifying purchases include materials for that instrument, repairs, upgrades of such things as mouthpieces, or upgrades of the instrument itself. **Purchases not qualifying will not be reimbursed and a note explaining such will accompany the reimbursement check.**