



**WARREN CONCERT BAND  
MARY LEE FITZ  
STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP  
GUIDELINES  
2025**

### **APPLICATION FORMS**

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

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Current **seventh** 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 of the following criteria:

1. Attend a middle or high school in the City of Warren *or surrounding area*.
2. Are homeschooled and are involved in a community band ensemble.
3. Are sponsored by a current Warren Concert Band or WCB Board member.  
*Please note that previous scholarship recipients **are** still eligible.*

### **SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

1. Upon notification of the winning of an award, the winning student will be given a check and a certificate at the Warren Concert Band's Spring concert, Sunday, May 11, 2025, during intermission. The monetary award is to be used for private lessons, purchasing of equipment, materials, repairs, or upgrading the primary band instrument.
2. There is no requirement to document how the money won was used.

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

Candidates must complete the following requirements to be scheduled for a live audition:

1. Apply by **Friday, March 21, 2025**.
2. Complete a reference from their current band director, and if applicable, one from their private instrumental instructor by **Friday, March 21, 2025**.  
Although a signature alone is required, a letter of recommendation is highly suggested.
3. Once scheduled, each applicant must complete an **in-person** audition before the selection committee on **Tuesday, April 22, 2025**, in the music wing of Lincoln High School, 22900 Federal Warren, MI 48089.  
*Please note that virtual or recorded auditions are not accepted as a valid audition submission.*

### **AUDITION REQUIREMENTS**

- High school students: Prepare a solo work, comparable to Solo and Ensemble solo requirements, of between two and six minutes which shows your ability and accomplishment on your instrument.
  - Piano accompaniment is optional.
- Middle school students: Prepare either a solo at your level of playing or an excerpt from a method book used in either your band class or used in private lessons consisting of one to two minutes in length. There may be multiple short selections played to achieve this time requirement.
- Audition times and directions will be arranged after **complete** application packets have been received.
  - At the time of the audition, please provide two (2) copies of the music you have prepared 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 11, 2025**, at 3:00 p.m. in the Warren Woods Middle School Auditorium, 13400 Twelve Mile Rd, Warren, MI 48088.

If you have any questions, please email Carly at [scholarships.wcb.mi@gmail.com](mailto:scholarships.wcb.mi@gmail.com).

Sincerely,

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Scholarship Committee  
Warren Concert Band, Inc.