# GREEN LOCAL MUSIC PARENTS BOOSTER SCHOLARSHIPS

The Green Local Music Parents offers two \$250.00 Scholarships every school year to Smithville High School Seniors who have completed at least three years of High School Band and/or Choir. One scholarship will be awarded to an Instrumental student, and one to a Vocal student. Applicants must be enrolled in a music class at Smithville during the academic year in which they apply. Students are not required to be a future college music major to apply.

The objective of the scholarship is to reward Smithville Music students for their musicianship, participation, positive attitude, leadership, and devotion to the Music Program at Smithville High School.

# <u>SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES</u> –

All written scholarship materials must be submitted to band/choir director before the day of **District VI Solo Contest** (see Section A, Item 3)

#### A. Solo

- 1. Solos must be selected from the current edition of the Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event Required Music Catalog. Solo selections must also be approved by the band/choir director.
- 2. Solos must be a Class A or B.
- 3. Solos must be performed at the OMEA District VI Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event in the same academic year as application, and receive a rating of I, II, or III.
- If the OMEA Solo Event is canceled due to inclement weather, the Boosters and faculty will make alternative arrangements, per majority vote.

### B. Typed Essay

Include the following points (please limit to high school only):

- 1. Describe your accomplishments as a musician. For example: private lessons, honors groups, years and parts performed, performances outside of school, solo and ensemble participation and ratings received.
- Describe your involvement, accomplishments, and what you have learned as a member of Smithville's Music Program.
- 3. Describe your general accomplishments and involvement in work, sports, community, academics, organizations, etc. during high school.
- 4. Describe your solo selection, accomplishments with this solo, and personal growth you experienced through this solo selection.
- 5. Describe your future collegiate plans.

#### C. Two Letters of Recommendation

1. Letters may be from instructors and/or leaders who have been involved with activities you participated in. Examples include: Teachers, Clergy, 4-H Advisors, Boy/Girl Scout Leaders, etc. These letters cannot be from the band or choir director.

#### **D.** Performance Audition

- 1. Scholarship Auditions will be scheduled by the Boosters and band/choir director. Auditions will occur before a Boosters meeting, and will be scheduled to take place as soon as possible following the District VI Event.
- 2. Candidates for the Smithville Music Boosters Scholarship will perform their solo selection(s) before a panel of at least three adjudicators, who will review the audition, essay, and letters of recommendation from each student.
- 3. Boosters' officers and the band/choir instructor will also be present during the audition, but will not have any input into the judges' selection of a winner(s).

4. Judges will be current and/or former music educators and/or performers selected by the band/choir director.

#### E. Selection of Winners

- 1. Judges will select winners immediately following the audition process.
- 2. A winner will be selected for each of the two categories: Instrumental and Vocal.
- 3. If no qualifying students apply for either scholarship, no scholarship will be awarded for that category.
- Winner(s) will be announced at the Smithville High School Music Awards & Concert night held in May.

## F. Claiming Scholarship Funds

- 1. Winners may claim scholarship funds upon completion of one semester of college or technical school.
- 2. A copy of the first semester's transcript must be provided to the Boosters in order to receive funds. Students' GPA must be a 2.5 or above during their first semester of college in order to claim their scholarship.
- 3. Upon receiving the above documentation, Boosters will issue a \$250.00 check directly to the student.
- Students are reminded that the scholarship must be used within two years from the date of the Banquet in which the scholarship was awarded to the student.
- 5. It is the student's responsibility to contact the Music Boosters with the proper documentation to claim their scholarship. Failure to claim the funds within two years (per above), will result in a forfeiture of the scholarship.

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