

Plymouth Canton Music Boosters

Financial Aid & Merit (James R. Griffith Scholar Award) Program
Scholarship Fund administered by the Canton Community Foundation

Purpose: The intent Scholarship Fund of the Plymouth Canton Music Boosters (PCMB) is to provide financial award to current students of any class and who are participating in a PCMB-supported program or PCCS curricular band program. Eligibility for the financial award is to be based one of 2 options: The Financial Aid application or the Merit (James R. Griffith Scholar Award) application. The scholarship awards will be used to offset member fees for participation in the PCMB/PCCS programs.

Structure: To assist in the process of acceptance, review and determination of applications, the Canton Community Foundation (CCF) will maintain the PCMB endowment fund which was established in December, 2008. The Foundation is organized to accept gifts for the purpose of investing and managing the PCMB Scholarship Fund. The earnings from the fund are the source of the annual Financial Aid and Merit Scholarships, the annual distribution shall be distributed 85% to Financial Aid and 15% to Merit (James R. Griffith Scholar Award) Scholarship.

Application: The following forms are to be used for scholarship (Financial Aid or Merit) applications..

Mail Completed Application to:
(do NOT turn in forms to Directors)
PCMB Scholarship Fund
Canton Community Foundation
50430 Schoolhouse Road, Suite 200
Canton, MI 48187

Financial Aid Scholarship: Based upon multi-faceted criteria with a 100-point scale, to be completed by student and parents. Maximum allotment of \$500.00 per calendar year.

1. Financial need (up to 50 points) – Evidence of participation in PCCS reduced lunch program **or** income documentation based on the included schedule.
2. Volunteerism (up to 20 points) – Points awarded based upon volunteer events involving the parent(s) and/or the student. Four points awarded for each volunteer event.
3. Special Circumstances (up to 30 points) – Attach a written description of any special circumstances to which additional consideration needs to be extended.

Financial Aid Application

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Application Information (Parent)

First Name:		Last Name:	
Email:		Phone:	
Address:			
City:		State:	
		Zip:	
Name of child in a PCEP/PCMB program:			

School/Program Information

High School Currently Enrolled:	
Expected year of graduation:	

PCEP/PCMB Instrumental/Performing Arts Program currently participating in and to which this financial award will pertain:

Marching Band		Concert Band (curricular program):	
Winter Guard		Other: Please list:	
Winter Drumline			

Criteria - Information

1. Custodial parents' Adjusted Gross Income for most recent tax year:

\$ _____

Two or more children participating in this program? _____

Please provide either page one of your most recently filed income tax return (blank out the first 5 digits of all social security numbers). -OR- Provide documentation supporting participation in PCCS "reduced lunch program"

2. Volunteerism:

Please indicate the five PCEP/PCMB events at which you have or will volunteer time for the current PCMB season:

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3. Special Circumstances:

Please write (on a separate sheet of paper) a statement concerning any special circumstances that the financial aid committee should be aware of when considering this application.

Signatures

Signature of student:		Date:	
Signature of parent/guardian:		Date:	

Office use only:

1		3		TOTAL:
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Merit (James R. Griffith Scholar Award) Scholarship: Based upon multi-faceted criteria with a 100-point scale, to be completed by student. Maximum allotment of \$100.00.

1. Grade Point Average (up to 40 points)
2. Recommendation Letter (up to 15 points)
3. 200-word Essay (up to 15 points) – Essay should answer one of the following questions:
Returning students – What advice would you give to incoming freshmen? New Members – What do you hope to gain from participation in this program?
4. Special Circumstances (up to 15 points) – Attach a written description of any special circumstances to which additional consideration needs to be extended.
5. Leadership/Outside Activities/Community Involvement (up to 15 points) – List community service activities completed (excluding PCMB events), activities or groups in which you have consistently participated, leadership roles that you have assumed and any awards or recognitions received.

Additional Information:

- A student may receive a merit-based award one time in their 4 years at high school.

Merit Application - James R. Griffith Scholar Award

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Application Information (Student)

First Name:		Last Name:	
Email:		Phone:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:

School/Program Information

High School Currently Enrolled:			
Expected year of graduation:			
PCEP/PCMB Instrumental/Performing Arts Program currently participating and to which this financial award will pertain: check one:			
Marching Band		Concert Band (curricular program):	
Winter Guard		Other: Please list:	
Winter Drumline			

Criteria - Information

1. Current Cumulative Grade Point Average Office Use Only: <i>Please provide documentation (copy of a recent report card or a print out from Zangle)</i>	GPA 4.0 3.9 3.8 3.7 3.6 3.5 3.4 3.3 3.2 3.1 3.0 2.9 2.8 2.7 2.6 2.5	Check the appropriate GPA score: _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
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2. Letter of Recommendation:
 Please submit a letter of reference from **ONE** of the following resources: high school teacher; high school counselor; work supervisor

3. 200-Word Essay:
 Please answer the following question:
New Members: What do you hope to gain from participation in this program?
Returning Members: What advice would you give incoming freshmen?
 Please record your answer, type-written, on a separate sheet of paper

4. Special Circumstances:

If applicable, please write (on a separate sheet of paper) a brief statement concerning any special circumstance that the scholarship committee should be aware of when considering this application.

5. Leadership/Outside Activities/Community Involvement

On a separate sheet of paper, please list any outside activities and groups in which you have consistently participated and any leadership roles you assumed as well as any awards or recognitions for your contributions.

Signatures

Signature of student applicant:

Date:

Signature of parent/guardian:

Date:

Office use only:

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TOTAL:

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