



NCMEA Barbara Bair Scholarship Description, Criteria and Application Form

Description of Award

- The scholarship is a one-time award of \$1,000.00 and will be paid directly to the recipient and the college of choice at the beginning of the school year.
- The scholarship is awarded to a graduating North Carolina high school senior who has been accepted by, and will be entering, a North Carolina college or university the following fall as a Music Education major.

Criteria

- Qualifications: The nominee will be judged upon the following:
 - Musical talent
 - Disposition to teach music
 - Academic standing
 - Extra-curricular and curricular activities
 - Character
 - Interest and/or actual experience in teaching
- Nominations will be made by the nominee's music teacher. The nominating teacher must be a member of NCMEA.
- The NCMEA Barbara Bair Scholarship Portfolio shall consist of:
 - Completed application form to include academic standing, curricular and extra-curricular activities, and music activities. List the names and addresses of the three persons whose recommendations are **included** in a separate envelope with signatures across the seals.
 - Letter of recommendation from the music teacher.
 - Three references: Provide each reference in a separate, sealed envelope with signature across the seal. References should reflect the applicant's musical talent, leadership, disposition to teach music, and character.
 - A cassette or CD recording of the applicant's performance of no more than three selections of varying styles. This recording will be used for preliminary screening.
 - Essay on "Why I Want to Become a Music Educator."
- If needed, personal interviews/live performances will be scheduled by the committee to determine the recipient.
- **The Application Portfolio shall be submitted to the Scholarship Chair with a postmark dated on or before March 15.**

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Procedures

- Scholarship applications may be obtained from the Executive Director or from the NCMEA Web Page (www.ncmea.net) and are to be completed and returned to the NCMEA Barbara Bair Scholarship Chair by March 15.
- Selection Committee—The Selection Committee consists of the Scholarship Chair and three NCMEA members, appointed by the President.
- Final decisions will be announced by letter, from the Scholarship Chair, to the recipient and to the nominating member, following the Spring NCMEA Board Meeting. All applicants will be informed of the outcome.
- The recipient will be invited by the Scholarship Chair to be a guest at the NCMEA In-Service Conference for formal presentation of the award. The Scholarship Chair will make this presentation.
- The Scholarship Chair shall encourage the nominating member to have the award announced at the recipient's high school awards ceremony by the Scholarship Chair or a representative of NCMEA.

Application Form follows on pages 3-4.

The NCMEA Board of Directors approved a recommendation to create an NCMEA Scholarship in November, 1977 for implementation in November 1978. The Scholarship was renamed for Barbara Bair, NCMEA President, 1989-1991, following her death in 1994.



NCMEA Barbara Bair Scholarship Application

Name _____
Last First Middle

Home Address _____
Street City Zip

Phone Numbers _____
Home Cell Other

Email Address _____

High School you attend _____

School Address _____
Street City Zip

College or University you plan to attend next year _____

Parent/ Guardian Information:

Father Living ___ Deceased ___

Mother Living ___ Deceased ___

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____

Home Phone _____

Email Address _____

Email Address _____

Occupation _____

Occupation _____

Academic Standing

Circle the nominee's class standing:

Upper 10% Upper 20% Upper 30% Other

This rating is to be made and verified by the High School principal or counselor.

Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

Essay: "Why I Want to Become a Music Educator"

The essay should be two pages, typed, double-space, in 12-point font size. The essay is to accompany this application.

Applicant Information: Supply the following information on attached sheets.

List all musical activities in which you participated during high school. Include any honors earned.

List all other activities in which you participated during high school, including religious, scouting, athletic, and community activities.

Recommendations: List the names and addresses of three persons (other than the person making this nomination) whose recommendations are included in sealed envelopes with signatures across the seals.

Name	Address	Phone	Email

Recommendation of Music Teacher: A written recommendation by the nominee's music teacher must accompany this application. This recommendation should include reference as to the following: (1) musical talent/ability; (2) character; and (3) interest/experience in teaching music.

Recording: A cassette or compact disk (CD) recording of the applicant's performance will be required for preliminary screening. This recording should include three selections of varying styles. The recording must accompany this application. Please put your name on the recording container. List your recording repertoire in order of performance.

Composer	Composition

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Print Nominating Music Teacher _____ Teacher's MENC # _____ Expiration Date _____

Signature of Nominating Music Teacher _____ Date _____

Completed application must be postmarked on or before March 15.

Return completed application and portfolio to
Sonja Williams
Scholarship Chair
163 Aldersgate Road
Jacksonville, NC 28546-5846