

Hortense N. Reid-Kerr Scholarship Application

The Hortense N. Reid-Kerr scholarship is awarded to a Music Education major of a racial or ethnic minority who is a resident of North Carolina attending a North Carolina college or university. Hortense N. Reid-Kerr was the first full-term President of NCMEA and the first minority president of NCMEA (1971-1973). Hortense Reid-Kerr taught at Howard University, an HBCU in Washington D.C. During her tenure at there, she developed several generations of music educators, and although it is not a requirement, students from HBCUs are encouraged to apply. The scholarship is a one-time award of \$2,000.00 and will be paid in a lump sum to the recipient and the college or university at the beginning of the recipient's senior year.

A completed scholarship application must be submitted online no later than midnight March 1. The scholarship winner will be recognized at the NCMEA Professional Development Conference in November.

Criteria and Application

The scholarship award will be based on the following:

- Applicants must be a Music Education major who is a resident of North Carolina attending a North Carolina college or university.
- Applicant must have maintained a 2.8 academic average on a 4.0 scale, or a 1.8 average on a 3.0 scale
- Musical talent
- Leadership
- Service to school and community
- Academic achievement
- Financial need

* Indicates required question

1. Email *
2. Applicant's First Name *
3. Applicant's Last Name *
4. Collegiate NAfME Membership Number (if applicable)
5. How would you describe your racial/ethnic identity? (Ex: Black, African American, Hispanic, Latino/a/x, Native American, Asian, Pacific Islander, etc.) *
6. NC College/University *
7. High School Attended *
8. High School Graduation Date *

9. Mailing Address *
10. Phone Number *
11. Parent/Guardian Name *
12. Parent/Guardian Address *
13. Parent/Guardian Email *
14. Parent/Guardian Phone *
15. **High School Music Activities** *
List all musical activities in which you participated during high school. Please include any honors earned and/or officer (leadership) positions.
16. **Collegiate Music Activities** *
List all musical activities undertaken to date during your college career, including positions in ensemble sections, solo performances, and offices held in music fraternities or in CNAfME.
17. **Financial Support** *
List any other scholarships or grants you have received or will receive. In addition, briefly describe any financial needs you may have in order to meet your academic goals.
18. **Essay** *
Describe your reasons for entering the field of music education. Include your career ambitions and any plans for future education. List contributions you hope to make after attaining these goals.
19. Music Department Chair/Dean Name *
20. Music Department Chair/Dean Email *
21. **Letter of Recommendation**
The Music Department Chair/Dean listed above is required to submit a letter of recommendation to support your application by the application deadline. The letter should be a PDF, Word Document, or other text file on school letterhead.
Upload here, OR email to sheiserman@ncmea.net.

Proof of Academic Standing

Please forward an official transcript from the college/university registrar validating a 2.8 academic average on a 4.0 scale by the March 1 deadline to:

NCMEA

883 Washington St., Ste. C

Raleigh, NC 27605

If available, institutions may send official transcripts electronically to sheiserman@ncmea.net.

22. **Certification** *

I hereby certify that I am a current resident of the State of North Carolina. I have read the information concerning the Hortense N. Reid-Kerr Scholarship and I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations therein. In addition, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this application is true and correct.