

Encore Music Education Foundation, Inc.



2020 Senior Scholarship Application

To be an eligible applicant, you must be a *graduating high school senior or high school graduate studying a musical instrument or voice, with the intention to pursue an undergraduate degree in music performance, music education, sound recording and engineering, music business administration, or musical theatre at a two or four-year accredited institution of higher learning.*

To be eligible, all scholarship applications must be postmarked by **March 31, 2020**. The selection process will begin shortly thereafter, and recipients of the Encore Music Education Foundation Senior Scholarship will be notified in May.

Checks for the awards will be payable to the educational institution of choice, after evidence indicating enrollment for the first semester of the academic year 2020–2021 is received by the Foundation Committee. A receipted tuition bill (i.e., paid) for the semester charges will suffice for evidence of enrollment. Checks will be mailed in August after receipt of proof of enrollment.

The eligibility requirements for an Encore Music Education Foundation Senior Scholarship are as follows:

1. **Proof of Enrollment:** Scholarships will be awarded only to high school graduates (or soon to be graduates) who are enrolled full-time in a course of higher education at an accredited two or four-year college. Before the scholarship is awarded, the applicant must provide proof of enrollment to the Foundation Committee in the form of a paid tuition bill before any payment will be awarded.
2. **Personal Essay:** Each applicant must submit a personal essay in which he/she sets forth the reasons for pursuing his/her chosen field of music-based undergraduate education, or continuing with the pursuit of higher education.
3. **Transcript and Letters of Recommendation:** The applicant must furnish a current transcript from his or her high school or higher education institution, together with a testimonial/ letter of recommendation from the principal, guidance counselor, music teacher, or private music instructor as to their level of musical achievement, character, and commitment.
4. The basis for the scholarship will be, but not limited to, the following criteria:
 - (A) Involvement and achievement in musical endeavors
 - (B) Scholastic standing
 - (C) Extracurricular activities

- (D) Letters of recommendation
- (E) **Optional: a video showcasing your talent**

5. All applications for this scholarship are for one year. Applications for subsequent scholarships may be made in succeeding years; however, preference will be given to graduating high school seniors entering their first year of higher education, and those having never received past scholarship awards.

To receive consideration, all of the above requested material must be included and postmarked no later than March 31, 2020 and should be mailed to:

**Attn: Scholarship Committee
Encore Music Education Foundation, Inc.
3 Bent Street
Franklin, MA 02038**

Application:

Full name	
Date of birth	
Street address	
City, State, Zip	
Email address	
Telephone number	
High School name and year of graduation	
Name of college you attend or plan to attend next semester	
Major(s) of study	
Degree being sought	<input type="checkbox"/> Trade certification <input type="checkbox"/> Associates <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelors <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Father's full name	

Mother's full name	
Number of siblings in grades 1-12	
Number of siblings in college	
Have you submitted all required documents to qualify for this scholarship?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, why not?