

# RHS Orchestra Boosters Senior Scholarship

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Dear RHS Orchestra Student,

The Redmond High School Orchestra Boosters have established a scholarship fund to award at least \$500 to a selected graduating senior or seniors according to the criteria outlined below.

Minimum Requirements:

- Be a current student in the RHS Orchestra program
- Be attending a college, university, technical school, or other institution of higher learning in the fall of the following year
- Complete the attached application for this scholarship
- Submit two letters of recommendation (but *not* from Mrs. Ferguson).

The complete application *must* be received by the Scholarship Committee chairperson by **May 1st**. **Applications received after this date will not be considered.**

Factors to be considered in determining the award:

- Displays excellent citizenship within the Orchestra program, RHS, and the greater community
- Has contributed to the improvement of the RHS Orchestra program
- Provides inspiration to others within the RHS Orchestra program
- Demonstrates involvement with musical activities over time
- Plans to use the award money to fund higher education

To receive this scholarship award, it is not required that a student be a music major in college, nor that a student be the best musician in the RHS Orchestra program. The intent is to award scholarships to students who have given themselves for the success of the overall orchestra program at RHS. Please be thoughtful and thorough in your answers as you will also be judged on the quality of your written responses.

The RHS Orchestra Boosters Scholarship Committee, comprised of Orchestra Booster parents of non-senior students, will determine the scholarship winner(s). The Scholarship Committee chairperson will screen each application package for eligibility based on the above criteria. Essay questions and letters of recommendation will be coded and copied for a blind review by the Scholarship Committee. Results of the blind review will be combined with the input from the RHS Orchestra director to determine scholarship award winners. The recipient(s) of the scholarship will be announced at the Celebration Concert in June. Decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final.

If you have any questions about this scholarship program please contact [scholarships@redmondorchestras.org](mailto:scholarships@redmondorchestras.org)

Respectfully,

The RHS Orchestra Boosters Scholarship Committee

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Full Name

Address

Phone Number

E-mail Address

Where will you be continuing your education during the school year following your RHS graduation?

List the orchestra classes you took during grades 9-12. If you did not attend Redmond High School for grades 9, 10, or 11, please give the name of the school(s) you did attend as well as the name of the orchestra classes.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Orchestra class(es)</b>	<b>School (if not RHS)</b>
Freshman		
Sophomore		
Junior		
Senior		

List the names of the two adults that you have asked to submit letters of recommendation to the Orchestra Booster Scholarship Committee on your behalf:

Name E-mail or phone

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All information presented in this scholarship application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If I am awarded an Orchestra Booster Senior Scholarship, I will use it to fund my higher education during the school year following my graduation from RHS. I understand that the decisions of the Orchestra Booster Scholarship Committee are final.

Printed name of applicant

Signature of applicant

## Short Answer Essay Questions

Responses A through D are meant to be short answer essay questions. Please type your responses and **do NOT include your name anywhere on the pages with your essay responses.**

- A. In what ways have you participated in and contributed to the RHS Orchestra program? Contributions may include musical achievement, mentoring, leadership, or inspiration.
- B. In what other school and community activities have you participated during high school? If relevant, please quantify your participation (such as hours of volunteer time) and/or indicate your level of involvement, including leadership roles. You may include work experiences or musical activities outside of high school that are not affiliated with RHS.
- C. At what college, university, conservatory, or vocational school do you intend to enroll in the fall of following graduation? What are your future educational goals?
- D. What else would you like the Orchestra Booster Scholarship Committee to know about you?

Please be sure to include the following when submitting your application:

- The application form cover sheet (pages 1 and 2 completed and signed)
- Your responses to the Short Answer Essay Questions A through D (remember, do not include your name on these pages)
- Two letters of recommendation from adults other than Mrs. Ferguson. (She will be completing a separate form on each applicant.)

Please have your recommendations sent directly to Orchestra Boosters Scholarship Committee at [scholarships@redmondorchestras.org](mailto:scholarships@redmondorchestras.org)

You may e-mail your completed application, or you may deliver your application to Mrs. Ferguson in an envelope marked:

Redmond Orchestra Boosters

Attn: Scholarship Committee

## Letter of Recommendation

The RHS Orchestra Boosters award scholarships to senior orchestra students based on their participation in and contribution to the RHS Orchestra program. Additional considerations include the contributions an applicant has made to Redmond High School and the community. Please answer the questions below considering these criteria. The information you share with us about this student is confidential. We greatly appreciate your help!

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommendation By: \_\_\_\_\_

How long and in what capacity have you known this student?

In what ways do you feel this student is deserving of special recognition? Include additional pages if you wish.

This form may be returned to the student in a sealed envelope or sent directly to Orchestra Boosters Scholarship Committee at [scholarships@redmondorchestras.org](mailto:scholarships@redmondorchestras.org) or given to Mrs. Ferguson as paper mail with the description written on the front:

Attn: Orchestra Scholarship Committee

Senior Orchestra Scholarship Application