

Music Education Assistance Project, Inc.

Music Study Grant Application



Information:

1. Grants will be awarded for instrumental instruction only (excluding keyboards).
2. The maximum amount will be \$400.
3. Awards will be given in both a junior (grades 5-8) and senior (grades 9-12) division.
4. **Completed applications must be emailed or postmarked no later than November 21, 2016. Missing information will disqualify your application so please read the application carefully and refer to the checklist near the end of the application!**

Qualifications:

1. Student must be at least 12 years of age or have at least one year of previous music study, and must be participating in a public school music program.
2. Student must show a strong involvement in the study of music.
3. Student must demonstrate financial need.
4. Student must reside in one of the counties served by MEAP, Inc.:

Oregon: Counties of Clatsop, Columbia, Tillamook, Washington, Yamhill, Polk, Multnomah, Clackamas, Marion, Lincoln, Linn, Hood River, Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Wheeler, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa, Grant, and Baker.

Washington: Counties of Wahkiakum, Cowlitz, Clark, Skamania, and Klickitat. All of Lewis County as well as the area starting from a point of intersection of Grays Harbor, Thurston and Lewis Counties, and proceeding north along the county line to the Black River, along the river to the town of Mima, due east to the new Highway No. 99, then follow the old highway south to the Lewis County line. Also, the area in Pacific County west of Highway 103 which includes Ocean Park, Long Beach, Ilwaco, Chinook, and Megler, and the incorporated city limits of all towns and villages along said highway.

Instructions to student applicant:

1. Fill out the student personal information section of the application.
2. Provide a personal letter describing your involvement in music - the importance of music in your life, drawing upon past experiences, present influences, and your goals and plans for the future. Be sure to express your financial needs: Specifically, what would a study grant make possible for you?
3. Provide a short letter of recommendation from your school music teacher, and if you have one, your private music teacher.
4. Provide a short letter from a parent or guardian describing your family's financial need. Include a statement of your total yearly household income *or* proof of free or reduced school lunch. If you are living independently, you should include your description of financial need in your personal letter (see above, #1).
5. **Provide a 2-5 minute audio recording (on audio CD or thumb drive if mailed) that is representative of your ability. (Accompaniment is optional). Please label the recording clearly with your name, phone number, instrument and selection. If application is emailed, please attach the recording file to your email.
6. Email all application materials to info@meap99.org. Be sure to include the words "STUDY GRANT APP" in the subject line followed by the student's name. Attach all supporting documents and any music files.

The application material may also be printed and mailed to:

c/o AFM Local 99
325 NE 20th Avenue
Portland, OR 97232

** While a recording is preferred, a student may also request a live audition. A limited number of audition slots are available and will be scheduled the morning of December 3, 2016 at the AFM 99 rehearsal hall in Portland. If you prefer a live audition please let MEAP know as soon as possible.

Student's personal information:

Name: _____

Age: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent or Guardian: _____

Parent or Guardian Phone: _____ Email: _____

Main Instrument: _____

Additional instruments studied: _____

School you now attend: _____ Previous School: _____

School music teacher: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Private teacher if any: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Special achievements, including membership in musical groups:

If I am selected as a study grant recipient, I intend to study: _____
(ENTER NAME OF INSTRUMENT)

*With: _____
(ENTER NAME OF TEACHER)

Teacher's phone: _____ Teacher's email address _____

Teacher's fee per lesson is \$ _____.

*** If needed, a list of teachers is available. Contact the Musicians Union, Local AFM 99 at 503-235-8791**

Checklist (PLEASE BE SURE EVERYTHING BELOW IS INCLUDED!)

- _____1. Personal letter
- _____2. Letter(s) of recommendation from band or orchestra director
- _____3. Evidence of financial need
- _____4. Audio recording
- _____5. Personal information (above)

Important dates:

- 1. All applications must be emailed or postmarked by **November 21, 2016**
- 2. Applicants will be notified of their acceptance or rejection in December.
- 3. **NOTE: Recipients of the study grants are REQUIRED to perform at a recital to be held on May 20, 2017**
- 4. Recipients must use their grants prior to **June 30, 2017**