

2023 SEVEN LAKES HIGH SCHOOL BAND BOOSTERS SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Each graduating Spartan Band and Spartan Guard member whose parent belongs to the SLHS Band Boosters for 2022-2023 (as of December 31, 2022) is eligible to apply.

Seven \$700 scholarships will be awarded.

Guidelines

- Applications will be made available for download at www.slhsband.org.
- Follow required formatting.
 - All applications must be typed. Handwritten applications will not be accepted.
 - Use normal margins, size 12, black font, and an appropriate font style such as Cambria, Times New Roman, etc.
- Write clearly. Use correct grammar and spelling. Proofread your work.
- **Completed applications are due ON or BEFORE Tuesday, April 4, 2023 by 11:59 p.m. CST** via email to the scholarship committee chair (SLHSBBScholarship@gmail.com). **Applications sent after this date WILL NOT be considered for a scholarship.**
- ALL APPLICATIONS MUST be submitted electronically and **must comply** with all 'Directions for Electronic Submissions' procedures below.

Directions for Electronic Submission

1. This is an SLHS Band Boosters Scholarship. To be considered, one of your parents or guardians MUST be a Band Booster. Your application must be submitted by email to the scholarship committee chair at SLHSBBScholarship@gmail.com. Your application will consist of THREE PDF file attachments.
2. Listed below are the **THREE** required PDF files:

Checklist for FILE ONE instructions:

- Sign and date the guidelines for scholarship application signature page.
- Write your name legibly in the top blank.
- Scan and save the file as a PDF.
- Save file one PDF with your name "**signpageFirstNameLastName**"
(Example: For Mr. Mays it would be named, **signpageJohnMays**)

Checklist for FILE TWO instructions:

- Combine personal statement response, extra mile response and essay response to create a single file. Title each response.
- Do not include your name anywhere within the file, except** when you are naming/saving the file.
- Save the file as a PDF.
- Name the PDF as **responseFirstNameLastName**. (Example: Mr. Mays' 2nd file would be: **responseJohnMays**)

Checklist for FILE THREE instructions:

- Combine audition recognitions list response to create a single file. Title each response.
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- Save the file as a PDF.
- Name the PDF as **ARresponseFirstNameLastName**. (Example: Mr. Mays' 2nd file would be: **ARresponseJohnMays**)

3. All THREE PDF files must be sent in the same email. Your subject line will read **Band Boosters Scholarship First Name Last Name** (Example: Mr. Mays' subject line will read **Band Boosters Scholarship John Mays**)
4. Send the application email to SLHSBBScholarship@gmail.com. Copy yourself on the email and save the copy to your email account.
5. You should receive a confirmation email within 48 hours of sending application. If you do not receive a confirmation email, text 281-725-1228 for instructions. Send the application from the same email account that you will use to check for confirmation and throughout this process.
6. Your application is **not complete** until you receive an email confirmation, so be sure to follow up!
7. Submit your application between NOW and 11:59 p.m. CST April 4, 2023.
8. You may direct any questions to SLHSBBScholarship@gmail.com. Good luck!

**Seven Lakes Band Booster
Student Signature Page
(PDF File 1)**

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I _____ , the applicant,
certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to
the best of my knowledge, **and that the responses reflect my own thoughts and
are my own work.**

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Personal Statement, Extra Mile, Essay Responses

(PDF File 2)

Max of 360 points

(DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR NAME IN ANY PORTION OF YOUR ANSWERS.)

Check list for FILE TWO instructions:

- Combine personal statement response, extra mile response and essay response to create a single file. Title each response separately.
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1. Personal Statement (three parts) - MAX of 120 points

Part A: Service and Leadership **MAX of 60 points**

How have you served or led your band or guard, school or community?

How do your strengths inform how you choose to contribute?

What are your plans to lead or serve others in the future?

You may also include any roles, activities, employment, service or recognition that you have received outside the Band or Guard in this section.

Part B: Goals - **MAX of 30 points**

What are your goals?

You may include how high school experiences have helped you to define these goals as well as your long- and short-term goals.

Part C: Plans and Passion - **MAX of 30 points**

What are your plans for next year?

Among other things, you may choose to include what school you plan to attend and what you plan to major in. Let your passion and enthusiasm come through. If music or performance will play any part in those plans, be sure to include that as well.

2. Extra Mile - MAX of 40 points

Describe a time when you went the extra mile.

Why did you do it? What were the costs, risks and/or rewards? Did this effort signify personal growth or a change in attitude? How did you make a difference?

3. Essay Response - Max of 200 points

- Choose **ONE** of the prompts below and respond.
- The essay should be double-spaced and approximately 400 words.
- Write clearly.
- Use correct grammar and spelling.
- Proofread your work.
- The highest scoring responses will be clear and artful, reflect good character and may describe adversity, personal growth and or values such perseverance, patience and care for others. An exact word count is not nearly as important as expressing your thoughts fully and clearly. The suggestion of 400 words is a guide.

1. Explain the best advice or instruction you have received from being in the band or guard and how it impacted your life or the lives of others.

Try to be specific. Explain why it was so important and connect it to a specific example or experiences you have had.

2. If you were to give a speech or a TED talk regarding the impact of the fine arts on your education, what would your speech be about and why?

When writing this essay, highlight what you think will “speak to others.” Make sure your topic is clear. To prep, watch a few TED talks online to help give your essay voice.

3. How has the development of technology enhanced the quality of marching band and/or musical performances. Explain how you are a better guard member/band member because of technology’s advancement.

Try to be unique for this prompt. Make sure to outline not only your reasons for choosing a particular technology, but contrast where we might be if we did not have it.

Auditions and Recognitions List Response
(PDF File 3)
Max of 140 points

(DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR NAME IN ANY PORTION OF YOUR ANSWERS.)

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3. Auditions - Max of 60 points

- Provide a numbered list of all the music/guard AUDITIONS you have participated in during high school, regardless of outcome. This list might consist of, but is not limited to, region band, area band, guard officer, solo or ensemble, band council, drum major, or section leader, or specialty position(s).
- List each audition separately with the **most recent first**. (For example, February 2023, All Region Flute.)
- List every attempt, regardless of whether you received the award or position. Attempts demonstrate effort.
- Do not include any auditions that took place before the summer of your freshman year (May 1, 2019). Please do not include any auditions that are required for all band or guard members.

4. Band & Guard Recognition - Max of 80 points

- Provide a numbered list of all honors, awards, leadership roles, and recognitions awarded from freshman year of high school to present.
- Include both SLHS Band/Color Guard and organizations outside of Seven Lakes High School.

If you have transferred from another high school, you may include success from that program as well.

Be sure to include details including date and the recognition, award, etc.

FINAL CHECK LIST

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- Sign and date the guidelines for scholarship application signature page to create FILE ONE.
- Combine the personal statement response, the extra mile response and the essay response to create FILE TWO.
- Combine the auditions and recognitions list responses to create FILE THREE.
- Submit ALL THREE FILES in the same email
- DO NOT include your name in any part of the files.

Most importantly,
Thank you for being a part of the band!
We would not be US without YOU.