

THE HALSEY FAMILY MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

A Post-Secondary Scholarship Program Offered To Students from Camden County, Georgia

Pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Music, Music Education or a Related Field

The **Halsey Family Music Scholarship** is established by John F. (Jack) Halsey, PhD, and Sandra M. (Sandy) Halsey in recognition of the significant influence that music and music education has had on their families and their lives. The Halsey Family Scholarship awards up to four (4) academic semesters of support to undergraduate students beginning in their freshman year in college, based on continued progress and academic achievement.

One (1) student may be selected for a scholarship award annually. The scholarship provides up to \$1,500 per semester (maximum, \$3,000 per year), which is paid directly to the post-secondary institution, on behalf of the student each semester, to offset costs of tuition, fees, books, and room and board. Any excess funds are distributed to the student through the institution's student accounts services to pay for living expenses.

The criteria for scholarship award is as follows:

- Applicant must be a senior who will be graduating from Camden County High School, or any successor public high school(s) in Camden County.
- Applicant must be accepted at a regionally-accredited undergraduate institute in the United States, with the intention of majoring in music, music education or a related field. The institution must be approved and accredited to offer a bachelor's degree in the field of music, such as Bachelor of Arts in Music, Bachelor of Music in Music Education, Bachelor of Music in Composition, Bachelor of Music in Music Theory, Bachelor of Music in Performance, or a closely related field. The student must provide a copy of the acceptance letter with his/her scholarship application.
- Applicant must submit a completed application and two letters of recommendation (at least one must be from one of the applicant's music teachers), along with an essay (limit 750 words) in which the applicant discusses his/her future interests in the field of music or music education and provides some insight into his/her financial need.
- Applicant must provide a copy of his/her high school transcript and a copy of current SAT or ACT scores.
- Preference will be given to applicants who have a demonstrated financial need and who have a declared and demonstrated interest in pursuing a career in music.
- Applications are due Monday, April 2, 2018.

- Recommendations for scholarship award winners and alternates are made by a Selection Committee and the Foundation in advance of Scholarship Night.
- Once awarded a scholarship, students must maintain acceptable academic progress. Criteria include the student's GPA, institution attended, the major and the course load. The student must attain qualifying enrollment status to receive subsequent year funding: e.g., "sophomore" for year two.

The selection process for **The Halsey Family Music Scholarship** is overseen by the Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation, where the scholarship fund is housed. Annually, the Board of the Foundation appoints a Scholarship Selection Committee to oversee the selection process for the various scholarship programs it administers. The Selection Committee will review application materials, interview applicants (as appropriate) and make recommendations for the award to the Board of the Foundation.

<u>Checklist for Scholarship Application Submission</u>

Please inc	lude the following materials in your application package:
	Scholarship Application Form.
	Copy of Official High School Transcript (through last completed semester).
	Copy of ACT and/or SAT Scores (all).
	Letter of Acceptance from College or University.
	Student Essay (750 words or less) which discusses applicant's future interests in the field of music, music education or related fields and provides insight into applicant's financial need.
	Two letters of recommendation, at least one must be from one of the applicant's music teachers.
	Please send application material in PDF format via email to info@coastalgeorgiafoundation.org or in hard copy by mail to Communities of Coastal Georgia Foundation, ATTN: Halsey Family Music Scholarship, 1626 Frederica Road, Suite 201, Saint Simons Island, Georgia 31522.
	The 2018 deadline for submission is April 2nd ; all materials must be received by that date.