

ASHLAND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

2020-2021 Scholarship Program Information grades 5-8

The Ashland Symphony Orchestra will award two (2) scholarships of **\$250** each to students in grades 5-8. This scholarship is to be used to assist the student in paying for private music lessons and will be disbursed directly to the student. The presentation of scholarships supports the ASO's mission of "music education for all".

- Student must reside in Ashland County.
- Student must play an orchestral instrument. *For a list of approved instruments, please visit the ASO website http://www.ashland_symphony.org/scholarship-program/.*
- Student shall complete an application which must be received in the ASO office by noon on **Monday, January 25, 2020**. Application will include:
 - Completed printed application on the other side of this letter
 - A short essay (500 words or less) describing
 - Why you study or would like to study privately
 - What you hope to accomplish through private lessons and how this scholarship will help
 - Your future plans for music study and/or performance
 - Your musical influences
 - A letter of recommendation from your private instructor or school music teacher
- Student must participate in a **live audition* on Tuesday evening, February 9, 2021**, at Trinity Lutheran Church - Sanctuary, 508 Center St, Ashland. Student shall provide his/her own accompanist and six (6) copies of your audition piece. *You may prepare and submit a video audition instead of participating in a live audition. Please send to symphony@ashland.edu. **Deadline to submit a video is Monday, February 8, 2021**. One copy of your audition piece must accompany the video.

Recipients will be selected based on his/her complete application and musical ability. ASO staff, musicians, and/or members of the Board of Directors will comprise the selection committee. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Not all applicants will be selected to participate in an audition; only selected students will be scheduled for and notified of an audition time. Applicants selected for an audition will be notified by mail and/or email. Following auditions, the scholarship winners will be notified by phone.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, awards and certificates will be mailed to the winners.

Recipients are required to report their accomplishments by way of written letter, including a statement from their private instructor, to the Ashland Symphony Orchestra by the end of 2021. Winning students are not eligible for scholarships in 2022, but will be eligible thereafter. Note: if the student wins as an eighth grader, the student may apply as a ninth grader for the high school scholarship.

*Ashland Symphony Orchestra
2020-2021 Scholarship Application
Please read important information on the reverse.*

APPLICANT INFORMATION		
Name		
Cell Phone	Home Phone	
Address		
City	State	ZIP Code
Email		
Parents/Guardians		
<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if you will be submitting a video audition. Video must be submitted by February 8, 2021.		
SCHOOL & INSTRUMENT INFORMATION <small>Attach additional sheet if necessary.</small>		
School	Grade	
Instrument(s)		
<i>If more than one, please list audition instrument</i>		
Teacher(s)	Years of study	
Activities		
Awards & Honors		

Complete applications must be received by noon, Monday, January 25, 2021.

Return complete application form, essay, & recommendation to

Ashland Symphony Orchestra
Education Committee
401 College Avenue
Ashland OH 44805

Or scan and email to symphony@ashland.edu

Video auditions must be received by Monday, February 8, 2021.