

A decorative border of musical notation surrounds the central text. The notation consists of various note values, stems, and beams, arranged in a rectangular frame. The notes are black on a white background, and the stems are vertical. The border is composed of several lines of music, with some notes extending beyond the lines.

*Dartmouth School Music Association*

**DSMA**  
**SCHOLARSHIP**  
**POLICY**

**2018-2019**

The DSMA will award scholarships to Dartmouth High School Senior Students that have met the following criteria:

1. The student must be attending a school of continuing education within twelve months of being awarded the scholarship
2. Membership must have existed for three years, one of which is the student's senior year; and must have been renewed before October 31, 2017
3. Student must participate in the annual ad book either for the Fall Home Show or Pops Concert three of the four years
4. Gillette participation is required by the student or designee their Junior and Senior years

Any student who is part of the music program as a senior and has special circumstances, such as a transfer student, must be approved by the Director of Music in order to be classified as eligible.

Senior students that meet the criteria listed above will be mailed an application. If a senior feels they are eligible and have not received an application, they must inquire with the Scholarship Chairperson as to whether or not they are eligible.

The following will be expected from all scholarship applicants in addition to the above:

1. Completed application submitted by the deadline, **no exceptions**
2. A letter of recommendation from a Music Instructor
3. A letter of recommendation from one other instructor at Dartmouth High School outside of the Music Department

Scholarship awards will start with a base rate and increase according to how the following criteria is met:

- Gillette participation Freshman & Sophomore years
- Participation in two music/guard activities per year
- Music recommendation score 40-50 points

- Academic recommendation score 30-40 points

The Director of Music and instructors of the performing groups will present their recommendations to the Scholarship Committee in reference to the applicant's contribution, participation and attitude; plans for further music study; active participation in DSMA activities; and academic record.

The Scholarship Committee will determine the amount of each scholarship awarded based on total funds raised as well as the number of students eligible to participate. (see DSMA by-laws)

Scholarship recipients have twelve (12) months from the date of notification that you received a scholarship to request that scholarship from the DSMA, no exceptions! The DSMA Treasurer must be presented with a receipted bill showing a tuition payment to the school of higher education. Once received, the Scholarship Award will be mailed to the student.

Scholarship Fund raising – We encourage all students to participate in earning the funds necessary to keep DSMA functioning. These include but are not limited to: Gillette, ad book, breakfasts/suppers, candy bars, wreaths, poinsettias and any other type of money-making ideas DSMA can come up with! (New ideas are always welcome). Proceeds from these types of fundraisers go directly into the DSMA operating account with the exception of the ad book. It is the one fundraiser to directly benefit the DSMA Scholarship Fund. The ad book showcases many local businesses in a booklet that is printed and distributed at two large events per year.

*These Scholarship Policies are periodically reviewed and/or changed. If there are any questions in regards to these policies, please direct them to either the Scholarship Committee Chair(s), President of the DSMA or the Director of Music at Dartmouth High School.*