

NVMS American Indian Music Scholarship

Summary:

- \$1000 or two \$500 scholarships
- Application deadline: March 1
- Award date: May 1
- Intended for use for fall of subsequent year

Description:

Montana is the 41st state to enter the United States and has a culturally-diverse population representing a broad spectrum of music genres, styles, and instrumentation.

Montana is home to several Indian reservations and traditionally to more than two dozen distinct tribes, each with their own forms of music including Blackfeet, Crow, Flathead, Cheyenne, Chippewa-Cree, Gros Ventre, Assiniboine, and Sioux.

As Montana's only nonprofit community music school, North Valley Music School founded this scholarship to:

- encourage the pursuit of music education
- provide philanthropic funding for Native Americans and indigenous communities
- enable broader public awareness of the diverse musical contributions of Montana's American Indians to the culture of our state and region
- introduce the public to these individuals as role models of citizenship, creativity, and entrepreneurship in the arts

Requirements:

The NVMS Scholarship provides financial assistance to Native American Indian high school and college students pursuing professional degrees in music. Applicants must be a US citizen, national, or permanent legal resident of Montana who is of at least 25% Native American Indian ethnicity, and be either a high school senior or a college student currently enrolled full-time at an accredited U.S. vocational, junior college, or four-year college/university. The recipient must be a full-time, degree-seeking student by the upcoming academic calendar year and pursuing a major in music, including but not limited to

- Bachelor of Music (BM) or Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA)
- Bachelor of Music Education (BME)
- Bachelor of Arts in Music (BA) or Music Technology
- Bachelor of Science in Music (BS)

The NVMS Scholarship is open to applicants aged 17 or older at the time of entry, and who meet one (2) of the five (5) following eligibility requirements at the time of entry:

1. a parent who currently has a child enrolled in an accredited college or university located within the United States;
2. a student who is currently enrolled in an accredited college or university located within the United States;
3. a parent who currently has a child enrolled as a high school senior located within the United States;
4. a student who is currently enrolled as a high school senior located with the United States;
5. a legal resident of Montana or tribal territories in Montana

Awards are intended for use in the upcoming scholastic year and checks will be made to the student. Void outside the U.S. and wherever prohibited by law.

** All applications submitted past the current deadline date up till 11:59 PM MT will be considered for the next deadline.*