

NSBA Scholarships for Band Directors, Collegiate and High School Students

DEADLINE: Applications for all scholarships must be postmarked no later than **FEBRUARY 1, 2011**. Applications are to be sent to NSBA Awards Chair, Brady Rohlf, PO Box 426, Waverly, NE 68462. For more information contact Brady at: (402) 786-2765 (work) or (402) 781-9355 (home).

Band Director Scholarships

Two \$300 scholarships are available for NSBA band directors with a minimum of three years teaching experience. Applicants must be enrolled in an instrumental music education graduate course. This course does not need to be taken at a Nebraska institution. Scholarships can be awarded to the same person more than once. To apply, band directors need to follow this procedure.

Send to the NSBA Awards Chair the following information typed on 8 1/2" x 11" paper using no more than one and one-half pages:

- name, school, home address, phone number, e-mail (if available)
- a brief description of your band program, contest and festival results, number of students, musical achievements
- dates and places taught
- three character qualities that you desire to develop in your students and why you consider these to be important characteristics
- describe what course you plan to take, the name of the college or university where you plan to take the course, and why you are taking the course.

Collegiate Student Scholarships

Two \$250 college student scholarships will be awarded at the March convention. The prerequisites are as follows: applicants must have completed a minimum of five semesters in a Nebraska college or university music education program, with a wind or percussion instrument as the primary area of study. Applicants must also be student members of NSBA. A committee appointed by the NSBA President and Awards Chair will review all application materials and interview applicants in Lincoln during the March convention. Winners will be announced at the annual awards banquet. To apply, follow this procedure.

- Send to the NSBA Awards Chair the following information typed on one side of an 8 1/2" x 11" sheet of paper: name, school, home address, school address, city, zip code, home phone number, name of high school band director, and high school attended.
- Prepare a brief paragraph answering the question, "Who had the most influence in your life, and why?"
- Prepare a brief essay (no more than two typewritten pages) entitled "Why I want to become a band director and how I will make a difference in music education?"
- Application must include two letters of recommendation from faculty members.

High School Student Scholarships

The **Bob Palensky Scholarship** will be in the amount of \$250, and will be presented to an outstanding high school senior who will attend any Nebraska college or university. It is open to any freshman student who will participate in the band program their freshman year. A committee appointed by the NSBA President and Awards Chair will review all application materials. The winners will be announced at the annual awards banquet. To apply, follow this procedure.

- Send to the NSBA Awards Chair the following information typed on one side of an 8 1/2" x 11" sheet of paper: name, home address, home phone number, your high school, school address, and the name of your high school band director.
- Prepare a brief paragraph answering the question, "Who had the most influence in your life, and why?"
- Prepare a brief essay titled "Why music is important in my life?"
- Application must include two letters of recommendation for the scholarship.