

Scholarship Committee Report

The MCGC Scholarship Committee had a very successful year. The board of directors and the scholarship committee met and created a handbook this season to guide us through the application process, the decision making, and the distribution of scholarships. We created a new rating rubric, set time limits for applying, and set a foundation for how many scholarships would be awarded. We decided on continuing with the online application process, and are looking into ways that will make the process of applying even more straightforward in seasons to come.

In the 2022 season we had over 31 applicants and we awarded 23 scholarships ranging from \$150 to \$600. The amount of applicants was low this year and I believe this was a combination of Covid and the lack of wind and percussion applicants. We had seven people read and rate the applications and based the winners on their median rating score. Any rater that had an affiliation with an applicant, current or in the past, abstained from rating the applicant. There was a total of \$7,350 awarded in scholarships in the 2022 season.

I would like to personally thank all who served on the scholarship committee this year. It was a great team of people who made this year's process simple and successful.

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