



DES MOINES SYMPHONY
ACADEMY
2026-2027 Scholarship Application

The Des Moines Symphony Academy strives to provide quality music education experiences for all students regardless of financial background. To apply for tuition assistance through our scholarship program, please complete the following application. All information will remain strictly confidential.

Scholarship Application Deadlines

Fall Semester: Sep 15, 2026

Winter/Spring Semester: Jan 15, 2027

Students enrolling mid-semester will have two weeks from registration date to submit a scholarship application

- ☐ I received a scholarship during the 2025-2026 school year
- ☐ I am applying for a scholarship for the first time

APPLICANT INFORMATION (Up to four students within one family can be included on this application)

Student Name _____ Student Birth Date ____/____/____

Program: ☐ Youth Orchestras ☐ Private Lessons ☐ Group Lessons ☐ Chamber Music

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Parent/Guardian _____ Phone _____

Email address _____

☐ Please use this e-mail address as my primary contact

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Email address _____

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Mailing address _____

City _____ State IA Zip _____

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Student Essay (Encouraged): Please attach a brief essay describing how a Symphony Academy Scholarship will benefit you and why music instruction is an important component in your life. For our younger students, drawings/pictures can serve in place of a student essay.

Parent/Guardian Essay (Encouraged): Please attach a brief essay describing how you feel your student musician would benefit from participating in programs at the Des Moines Symphony Academy and what impact music instruction will have on their development.

Other information you feel we should know regarding your need:

(Please feel free to attached additional sheets of paper to this application if necessary)

ANNUAL FAMILY INCOME AND FAMILY SIZE DOCUMENTATION

Please submit the first page of **Form 1040** from your most recent Federal tax filing with this application. To process your application, we only need documented proof of the total claimed family dependents and adjusted gross income, both of which can be found on the first page of your Form 1040. Please feel free to black out social security numbers and/or any other sensitive information. **If, for any reason, this document is not available or unable to be provided, please contact us about other methods of verifying dependent and income information.**

Please return this form, along with supplemental materials, to:

Joshua Barlage
Managing Director
Des Moines Symphony Academy
The Temple for Performing Arts
1011 Locust Street, Suite 400
Des Moines, IA 50309

Or e-mail to joshua@dmsymphony.org

By signing below, I attest that the information included in this application is complete and true to my knowledge. I also authorize the Des Moines Symphony Academy to use my student and/or parent essay in whole or in part for Symphony Academy Scholarship funding proposals.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Racially Nondiscriminatory Policy

The Des Moines Symphony Academy admits students of any race, color, national origin, and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and other school-administered programs.