

## **2021 Scholarship Selection Procedures**

The Smithfield High School Music Booster Scholarship recognizes outstanding involvement in the SHS music and performing arts program(s) and an excellent response to one of three essay prompts. The recipient is chosen by a committee of booster members whose children are not current scholarship applicants. Committee members, blind to applicants' names and other identifying information, independently score each submission using a standardized rubric. Scores are then combined to determine a winner.

The high school's music teachers are available to answer questions about applications prior to completion and screen them for accuracy once submitted.

Musical talent and performance ability are not selection criteria. Parents do not need to be boosters for their children to apply for this scholarship. Applicants are informed that failure to provide complete and accurate information will result in disqualification. Applications flagged for inaccuracies by the teachers are not reviewed by the committee.