

### **About the Kiwanis Music Education Fund:**

1. The goal of the Kiwanis Music Education Fund is to provide private music lessons and instruments to children that demonstrate passion, commitment and enthusiasm for music but can not afford the cost of private music lessons.
2. Bursaries will be distributed based on financial need.
3. All applicants will be required to contribute a minimum of \$5 per lesson, with the remaining costs being either fully or partially covered.
4. The number of recipients and amounts awarded will be dependent on the funding available at the time of submission.
5. Recipients may take lessons with a teacher of their choice. If the recipient does not currently have a private teacher, they will be matched with a qualified instructor from one of our reputable community partner schools.
6. Recipients may also be eligible to receive assistance with the cost of an instrument (either to rent or purchase).
7. Bursaries will be awarded for 12-week terms. Recipients will automatically be considered for an extension at the end of their term, based on a review of their participation in the program and continued demonstration of financial need.
8. Recipients who wish to enter the KW Kiwanis Music Festival may have their class fees reduced.

### **Eligibility:**

1. Applicants must be between the ages of 9 and 18 years of age as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.
2. Applicants must already be involved in a music program or have some musical experience. This may include school music programs, community classes or private lessons.
3. Applicants must demonstrate a commitment and promise in their musical studies.
4. A reference letter must be provided by a teacher or community member, describing the applicant's involvement and commitment to their music education.
5. The applicant's parent or guardian must demonstrate a financial need.
6. Should the applicant be awarded a music lessons bursary their continuation in the program will be dependent on good attendance and commitment to practicing in preparation for their music lessons. This must be verified by the assigned teacher at regular intervals.

**Application Form:**

1. To be completed by the parent or guardian of the applicant applying for the bursary.
  2. Please fill in all fields with up to date and accurate information.
  3. You must also attach a letter of reference (see details below) from a teacher or community leader.
  4. For fields that require a more detailed response applicants may attach a separate document if they require more room than provided below.
  5. All applications are confidential, and the information provided will only be used for assessment by the Kiwanis Music Lessons Fund Committee.
  6. Applications must be submitted by February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to be eligible for the spring lesson term, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025 for the fall lesson term or by November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 to be eligible for the winter lesson term.
  7. This form may be submitted online, or applicants may download and fill in a PDF version of the form. Printed forms can be scanned and emailed to [danielle@kwkiwanismusicfestival.com](mailto:danielle@kwkiwanismusicfestival.com) or mailed to: KW Kiwanis Music Festival, P.O. Box 38046, Bridgeport P.O., Waterloo, ON N2J 4T9
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**SECTION 1:**

APPLICANT'S FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Residence Address of the Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of 1<sup>st</sup> Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment Status & Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

(e.g. Full-Time Employed, Part-Time Employed, Self Employed, Unemployed)

Name of 2<sup>nd</sup> Parent/Guardian (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment Status & Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Gross Income in 2024 (both parents combined where applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Estimate of Gross Income in 2025 (both parents combined): \_\_\_\_\_

How many other dependents are supported by the parents/guardians: \_\_\_\_\_

How much would you be able to contribute to the cost of music lessons? \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us briefly about your financial circumstances and why you need assistance with the cost of music lessons (if you require more room, please attach your explanation on a separate document below):

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**SECTION 2:**

Tell us about the applicant's current involvement in any music programs or lessons – school, community or private (if you require more room, please attach your explanation on a separate document below):

Is the applicant involved in any other extra-curricular activities? If so, please provide details:

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This bursary supports private music lessons – what instrument does the applicant wish to study?

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Do you currently own, rent or borrow an instrument? If so, please provide the details:

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Tell us how this bursary would impact the applicant if they were selected to receive funding. This can be written by the applicant or a parent/guardian (if you require more room, please attach your explanation on a separate document below):

Attach any additional documents if needed

**SECTION 3:**

A reference letter from a teacher or community member must be submitted with this application, telling us why they feel the applicant is a good candidate for the bursary program. Tell us who is providing the reference:

Name of Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have they known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

Attach Reference Letter

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**SECTION 4:**

- I, the undersigned, have read and understand the eligibility requirements (outlined on Page 1) for the Kiwanis Music Education Fund, and agree that the applicant meets those requirements.
  
- I, the undersigned, hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge, the information given in this application is current, accurate and complete.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_