

## **Dr. Ric Best Memorial Scholarship Application**

The Dr. Ric Best Memorial Scholarship will be presented to a student with exceptional dedication to music. Love of music will be part of this student's nature, but there will also be a personal commitment to excellence. He or she will have qualities such as good musical abilities, participation in a variety of music-related activities, and dedication to practice and improvement of skills.

To apply you must be a resident of Loudon County. If you need more space, feel free to attach additional pages. Check the webpage for this year's application deadline.

### **Return completed applications:**

BY EMAIL:

[info@legendsbrass.com](mailto:info@legendsbrass.com)

OR

BY USPS MAIL:

Scholarship Application  
177 Stillwater Circle  
Lenoir City, TN 37772

Name:	
Address: *you must be a resident of Loudon County	
School:	
Best way to contact you:	
Colleges you have applied to and/or been accepted to:	
Intended Major:	
Instrument(s) you play:	
Semesters of marching band and instrument or section (such as color guard):	
Semesters of concert band and instrument:	
<b>Other music related classes you have taken</b>  Examples: chorus, music theory, honors band	

<p><b>Clinics, festivals, and other special events</b></p> <p>Examples: Senior Clinic, Festival of Winds and Percussion, Fine Arts Festival, Governor's School for Arts and Band, Winter Guard, etc.</p> <p>Specify whether an audition was required, the result of your audition (chair and band), the date(s) you participated, and any other relevant details.</p>	
<p><b>Awards you have received as an individual or as part of a group</b></p> <p>Examples: John Philip Sousa Award, first in class for your percussion section, Superior rating as drum major</p>	
<p><b>Community activities in which you have participated</b></p> <p>Examples: church choir, dance classes, civic performances, church orchestra, music camp</p>	

<p><b>Classes or lessons that helped you improve your musical or music-related skills</b></p> <p>Examples: private music lessons, dance classes, clinics, drum major lessons</p>	
<p><b>Leadership positions you have held</b></p> <p>Examples: Drum Major, Section Leader, Band Officer</p>	

**Choose three of the following questions to answer.** There is no length requirement for your answers. Attach your answers on a separate sheet.

1. How has band affected your life so far?
2. What life skills have you learned in band?
3. How do you think music will be part of your life in the future?
4. What is a favorite memory from your time in band?

**Ask 1-3 people to fill out the following letter of reference form.** Return the completed form(s) with your application.

## Dr. Ric Best Memorial Scholarship - Letter of Reference

Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_

The student whose name appears above has applied for the Dr. Ric Best Memorial Scholarship. This form is submitted to you for your confidential evaluation of the applicant's qualifications. Thank you for completing this recommendation. Your candid and objective evaluation is essential to the selection process.

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

How do you know the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the space which reflects most accurately your experience with the applicant's abilities. EXCELLENT shows genuine talent with superior skills and advancement, great potential for a future in music. GOOD is better than average, a solid supporter who can assume leadership roles in music. AVERAGE does the job, but takes time and may not be a musical leader.

	Excellent	Good	Average
All-around musical talent			
Technical facility/capability			
Musical sensitivity			
Rhythmic sense			
Ability to accept suggestions			
Dedication to practicing			
Dependability			
Maturity			
Cooperation			

Your additional thoughts on evaluating the applicant are appreciated. Write comments here or attach a separate sheet if you prefer.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_