



Financial Aid Guidelines

The following information is provided to assist students, parents and faculty members in understanding the financial aid policies of the St. Peter's Community Arts Academy. It should be understood that current funding for financial assistance through SPCAA remains somewhat limited. Every effort will, however, be made to assist those students who, because of financial difficulties, would otherwise be unable to study at SPCAA.

Financial Aid Award Policies

The acceptance of financial assistance from SPCAA carries with it an obligation on the part of the student/chorister to attend classes, rehearsals, lessons or performances on a regular basis and work diligently on making progress in his/her principal area of study. Financial aid may be withdrawn at any time if, in the opinion of the principal teacher and the Director of SPCAA, the recipient fails to meet minimum standards that are expected by the teacher and SPCAA. The receipt of aid does not guarantee assistance in the future.

As appropriate, recipients of financial aid may be asked to perform on behalf of SPCAA, or may be requested to assist with certain activities or events at SPCAA.

A parent or guardian of each financial aid recipient will be asked to sign a letter of agreement accepting the financial aid and to return it within two weeks of notification of the award.

SPCAA is committed to providing assistance to those students who might otherwise be unable to study at the Academy. Limitations in the amount of aid available may mean that not every student with a demonstrated need can be helped. It is important that any additional information that might affect the decision of the Academy to grant aid be detailed as part of the application. Such information might include unusual medical expenses or expenses for education. Please document such expenses on the Financial Aid Form.

- *All information submitted will be kept in strict confidence.*
- *SPCAA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religious beliefs, national origin, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status or disability in its admissions, financial aid, scholarship and other educational policies.*



Financial Aid Form

Student Name _____

Student Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parent/Guardian Names:

Parent/Guardian (1) _____

Phone – Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Parent/Guardian (2) _____

Phone – Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Emergency Contact _____

Phone – Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Quarter(s) applied for: _____

Instrument or ensemble: _____

Please answer the following questions:

- Do you rent? _____ or own your home? _____
- Do you receive aid to dependent children? _____

This form **must** be accompanied by a copy of your most **recent income tax form**. All information will be kept confidential. The scholarship will be renewed each quarter based on the teacher's evaluation and student improvement.

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I am requesting financial assistance for my child. I certify that all the information that I have given is true and that any falsification will lead to expulsion of the student and cancellation of the scholarship.

Signed: _____ Date: _____



Faculty Comments on Scholarship Applicants

Student Name _____

Faculty Member Name _____

Date _____

Regarding Continuing Students

Previous lessons taken as SPCAA and years of study

What is your impression of this student and parents' level of commitment to your lessons? Does the student practice routinely, apply new learnings from lessons, and attend lessons, group classes and recitals regularly?

Does the student seem genuinely interested and focused on the learning and growing in your area? How is his progress?

What addition comments do you have that would help us in this decision?

Do you recommend the student for a continued scholarship award?

Regarding New Students

Have you met with the student and parent?

What is your impression of the student and parents' commitment to learning in your discipline?

Does the student seem anxious and ready to learn?

What other comments do you have that would help us in this decision?

Do you recommend the student for a scholarship award?