

LAKELAND MUSIC CLUB 2026 SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

Scholarship Audition Date: **Saturday, March 14, 2026**

Applications Must Be Received by: **Saturday, March 1, 2026**

***Participants must be available between 8am-1pm for auditions:
audition times will be assigned prior to the day of auditions***

The Lakeland Music Club is proud to offer three High School and three College scholarships to outstanding music students in the Polk County area. These are awarded competitively by audition. There will be three qualified judges for this event. **The monetary award for both the High School and College divisions is First Place, \$2000; Second Place, \$1500; and Third Place, \$1000.** Winners will receive their awards when they perform for the Lakeland Music Club. College winners perform on Tuesday, April 14th, and High School winners perform on Tuesday, May 12th at 10:30am at the United Women's Club of Lakeland Clubhouse, 1515 Williamsburg Square, Lakeland FL.

Audition Location: The Chapel at Westminster Lakeland (formerly Florida Presbyterian Homes)
16 Lake Hunter Drive in Lakeland FL
Maps and parking instructions will be provided prior to the auditions.

Eligibility:

- High School Students must be a graduating senior who will be attending college and studying applied music.
- College Students must be entering their Sophomore, Junior or Senior year and be studying applied music at their college. Graduating College seniors are not eligible to audition.
- All participants must have a 3.0 or above grade point average.

Audition Requirements:

- Prepare a five (5) to seven (7) minute performance showcasing your musical talent. This time may include two pieces of contrasting styles, or one solo piece. A clean and complete PDF copy of your performance music must be submitted when emailing the application materials.
- Only repertoire studied with your applied teacher may be performed.
- Participants are expected to provide their own accompanist, or recorded accompaniment & player/speaker.
- Write a one- or two-page essay describing your musical journey, why you wish to pursue music, your possible future plans and career goals.
- Submit a typed list of your accomplishments and community involvement in music, dance, art, sports, academia and other areas of interest and participation.
- Provide a letter of recommendation from your applied teacher or another non-relative.
- **Agree to perform at a Lakeland Music Club Meeting on April 14 or May 12, 2026**
- **High School Seniors**, please include your college acceptance status on the application form.

Application Submission:

- Applications, including all supporting materials must be **emailed no later than March 1, 2026** to the following person. Address all audition questions to this email.
Email to: skhenry2309@gmail.com or Mail to: **Sue Henry, 366 Terranova Blvd, Winter Haven FL 33884**

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2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

For all Students:

Please provide your Current GPA: _____ (3.0 or above required)

College attending, or plan to attend in the Fall/Location _____

College Students: Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Other _____

High School Students: Graduating Senior _____ Been Accepted to College? YES NO (circle one)

Title/Movement & Composer of Performance Piece(s), and performance time(s) in minutes

FIRST and LAST NAME _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____
Street City Zip Code

EMAIL (required) _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ CELL PHONE and/or HOME PHONE _____

WHAT IS YOUR INSTRUMENT? (voice, guitar, piano, etc) _____

WILL YOU BE BRINGING AN ACCOMPANIST? Yes _____ No _____ Name: _____

PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW ELIGIBILITY AND AUDITION REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED ON PREVIOUS PAGE

Email to: skhenry2309@gmail.com or Mail to: Sue Henry, 366 Terranova Blvd, Winter Haven FL 33884
Ensure that all the following application materials are included when emailing/mailling your applications, which must be received by March 1, 2026.

- _____ 1. This completed application form
- _____ 2. One- or two-page essay describing your musical journey, why you wish to pursue music, your possible future plans and career goals
- _____ 3. List of your accomplishments and community involvement in music, dance, art, sports, academia and other areas of interest and participation
- _____ 4. Letter of recommendation from your applied teacher or another non-relative
- _____ 5. Scan and send a clean and complete PDF copy of all your performance music for judges' use
- _____ 6. I agree to perform at a Lakeland Music Club Meeting on April 14 or May 12, 2026

Signatures

APPLICANT

DATE

PARENT or LEGAL GUARDIAN (if under age 18)