The Fine and Performing Arts Scholarship Program

The Kaskaskia College Board of Trustees has established scholarships for students in the field of arts that waive tuition and mandatory fees. Books and all other student fees are not covered by these scholarships. These scholarships are talent-based and are dependent on the recipient meeting scholarship program requirements as outlined in this packet.

I. Description

A. Scholarships consist of a waiver of tuition and mandatory fees assessed to students who enroll in classes, maintaining full time status, at Kaskaskia College. Scholarships are available in the following activities:

1. Visual Art
2. Instrumental Music
3. Vocal Music
4. Scroll newspaper
5. Speech Team
6. Theater

B. The scholarships are presented annually to students in the current graduation class of each high school within the college district and/or to any qualifying person within the college district. Kaskaskia College policy dictates that in district and joint agreement students and will be given preference for award of scholarships. If scholarships are available between terms, they may be granted mid-year for the following semester.

C. The scholarship is contingent upon the recipient’s compliance with requirements specified in this agreement. Once awarded, scholarships are valid for two academic years, totaling four semesters and one summer session. Scholarships are renewed each semester at the recommendation of the sponsor and after verification that recipients have met all specified responsibilities.

1. Recipients are required to provide a copy of class schedule for the semester they are requesting the renewal for at the time they return their renewal application to the program coordinator.

2. Recipients need to indicate their intention to utilize the scholarship for their allotted summer session during the spring semester of their freshman year to ensure paperwork for the summer session is completed prior to the beginning of the summer session.
II. Eligibility

A. Kaskaskia College policy dictates that in district, joint agreement students and residents of District 501 will be given preference for award of these scholarships.

B. Applicants must meet all eligibility requirements for entrance into Kaskaskia College to be considered for the scholarship.

C. Applications and other required materials must be received by the program coordinator no later than June 30th to be eligible for consideration for fall semesters and no later than January 1st to be considered for spring semesters of the year in which the application is submitted. Applications received after the deadline will be considered based on recipient need and availability of scholarships.

III. Requirements

A. All applicants will submit the following materials before being considered:

1. KC Application for Admission, if not on file
2. Fine and Performing Arts Scholarship application
3. High school transcript or college transcript must be on file with Kaskaskia College
4. Two letters of recommendation
   a) Teacher/Director/School Representative for a related fine and performing arts discipline with knowledge of active applicant participation
   b) Faculty member or business/civic person
5. One page essay – Topic: Why I Should Be Awarded This Scholarship
B. Specific requirements to be completed for consideration are listed below for each fine and performing arts program.

1. Art
   a) Presentation of portfolio review
   b) Enrollment in Studio classes per semester: Drawing, Design, or Painting
   c) Participation in campus activities and service-learning opportunities pertaining to the field of visual arts

2. Instrumental Music
   a) Schedule audition with Director of Bands, at 545-3324
   b) Enrollment each semester in Concert Band, Jazz Band, and Pep Band, as determined by faculty advisor

   MUSC 105, 117, 119, 121

   c) Enrollment, as required for skills and fundamentals, in one of the following each semester, as determined by faculty advisor

   MUSC 116, 160 122, 123, 222, or 223

   d) Participate in campus activities related to field of instrumental music

3. Vocal Music
   a) Schedule audition with Director of Choirs, at 545-3313
   b) Participate in campus activities related to field of vocal music
   c) Perform in MUSC 100, Choir Concert
   d) Audition for and accept roles assigned in the following productions: The Madrigal Singers in the fall, KC Blues in the spring, and any musical or productions, and required.
   e) Enrollment, as required for skills and fundamentals, in one of the following each semester, as determined by faculty advisor

   MUSC 116, 160 122, 123, 137, 138, 180, 201, 202, 207, or 223
4. **Scroll**

   a) *Students will enroll in JRNL courses*
      
      (1) Enrollment in JRNL courses 101, 102, 103, 104, in sequence

   b) *Participate in campus activities and recruitment related to field of Journalism*

   c) *Attend college events to report on stories for the Scroll*

   d) *Participate in the production of the student newspaper*

5. **Speech**

   a) *Enrollment in Speech 103, 205, Drama 112, and Speech 204, in sequence*

   b) *Participate in Speech team weekly meetings, competitions, and student recruitment activities.*

6. **Theater**

   a) *Submission of audition tape, including two contrasting monologues*
      
      (1) Comic/Serious, Period/Modern, etc.

      (2) Optional: 3-5 minute scene with a scene partner

      (3) If unable to submit tape, schedule interview at 545-3379

   b) *If seeking behind the scenes participation only:*
      
      Schedule interview at 545-3379, for set building, painting sets, lights, sound, props, costuming)

   c) *Enrollment in DRMA 112, Acting I for fall semester*

   d) *Enrollment in DRMA 111, Theater Appreciation for fall or spring semester*

   e) *Enrollment in DRMA 205 each semester, as directed by faculty advisor*

   f) *Participation in all KC theatrical productions, onstage and backstage*

**C.** Recipients of scholarships must be full-time students, in continuous enrollment; exclusive of summer sessions, and must maintain good academic standing.

**D.** Recipients must be admitted to one of the recognized programs of the college, leading to a degree or certificate and must attend class regularly. Excessive absences and tardiness may result in forfeiture of the scholarship. Sponsors will receive progress reports *monthly* from recipients’ instructors.
E. Recipients will meet with their scholarship sponsor for all advising; to include registration of classes and add/drop/withdrawals from classes. Academic Advisors and scholarship sponsors will coordinate to ensure proper advisement of recipients. Students are limited to 18 hours a semester unless they receive written approval from sponsor to take additional credit hours and any request over 22 hours must be approved by the Vice President of Student Services.

F. Scholarships aid will not be provided for courses when students need to repeat a specific course to meet institutional or program requirements or for any course in which a “W” or “F” grade has been received.

G. Recipients are required to complete the free application for Federal Student Aid, FAFSA, listing Kaskaskia College, Title IV School Code 001701, as the first school of choice. FAFSA applications are available from high school counselors or the College Financial Aid Office.

H. Recipients are required to pass a minimum of 12 (twelve) credit hours per semester, excluding summer, with a GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale each semester; regardless of how many hours over the required 12 taken each semester.

1. Any recipient who falls below academic requirements may be placed on academic probation for a period of one semester, upon recommendation of the Sponsor.

2. Recipients who do not meet the requirements for continued scholarship consideration or fail to meet academic requirements beyond the initial probationary period will have their scholarship revoked.

3. Recipients seeking an appeal of this action may do so in writing to the scholarship committee requesting reinstatement. If granted, the student will again be placed on probationary status for one semester and must meet all requirements set forth in this agreement.

4. Withdrawal from the college, withdrawal from participation in the designated fine and performing arts program for which the scholarship has been awarded, or failure to meet standards and requirements of the fine and performing arts program, automatically revokes the scholarship and the student will be held financially accountable for all current and future tuition amounts.

I. Recipients must recognize that they are representatives of Kaskaskia College and are expected to exhibit good citizenship, leadership, and appropriate reputable behavior at all times. If, in the opinion of the Vice President of Student Services, a recipient’s inappropriate behavior places the College in an untenable position, the scholarship may be rescinded.

IV. Selection
A. Individual sponsors will consider all completed applications and select scholarship recipients.

B. If a recipient accepts financial aid in the form of an institutional scholarship that specifically pays tuition and fees, the waivers of the Fine and Performing Arts Scholarship is no longer applicable for that recipient. The scholarship automatically continues as an honorary scholarship with the monetary portion reassigned to a qualified alternate recipient.

C. Scholarships that have been revoked from recipients may be awarded to alternate recipients and any scholarships not utilized or that become invalid during the fall term may be offered to an alternate recipient.

V. Implementation

A. An application and additional requested materials, including a list of college fine and performing arts programs, are provided to each person indicating interest in pursuing a Fine and Performing Arts Scholarship.

B. Each applicant is notified of the status of their application throughout the scholarship selection process.

C. The program coordinator, under the direction of the Vice President of Student Services, administers the scholarship program including all correspondence, publicity, receipt of applications, selection process, and providing eligibility reports and updates for sponsors, each semester.

D. The Financial Aid Officer coordinates the implementation of the financial aspects of the scholarship.

E. Fine and Performing Arts Scholarship sponsors monitor the implementation of the scholarships for their specific areas, coordinating efforts with the program coordinator located in the Office of the Vice President of Student Services. Certification by recipients and sponsors is required for each semester to continue the scholarship. Continuing recipients will be sent renewal application at the end of each semester to be returned with a copy of the next semester’s schedule.

VI. Evaluation

A. The Fine and Performing Arts Scholarship Program is evaluated annually by the Vice President of Student Services and members of the Selection Committee.
B. These procedures and guidelines may be amended, within the limits of Board of Trustees policy, upon the recommendation of the Vice President of Student Services and the concurrence of the President of Kaskaskia College.