Fred J. Miller was a man of insight and action. In predicting the new and innovative, he always said that his legacy would be “creating the future.” Today, the Fred J. Miller Music Education Fund salutes his vision with tomorrow’s finest young minds preparing to carry the torch forward. Like Fred, we know that tomorrow’s educators carry this legacy.

Members of all the Drum Corps International Summer Tour participating drum & bugle corps are invited to submit with Director’s endorsement signature and must be enrolled in college pursuing music education as their primary degree path. A committee of administrators, instructors and judges review dozens of these applications for these scholarships and select students who stand out in qualities of academic, artistic, and personal achievements.

Applications for 2021 Scholarships must be submitted to DCI via an email with attachments to Scholarships@DCI.org, NO LATER THAN JULY 2, 2021. Please mark FJM Scholarship in the subject line. All required paperwork must accompany the Scholarship Application.

DCI will administrate the scholarship and has established the following guidelines:

1. The recipient must be enrolled in a college/university music education program.
2. The recipient must attend a college or university; not a trade school or vocational school.
3. The recipient must be an active marching member of a unit who will compete in the 2021 DCI Summer Tour.
4. Each nominee must have their corps’ director sign off as an endorser.
5. Scholarship(s) granted will be paid by check written to his/her university. Scholarship money may be used by the student for tuition, books, and room/board. Any unused scholarship monies, either from the student leaving the education establishment before completing his/her degree or upon the student completing and receiving his/her degree, will be returned to DCI.
6. Scholarships granted will not be less than $2000.00 per recipient.
7. The scholarship will be granted for one year only, but recipients may re-apply the next year if he/she remains active with a corps and meets all the other requirements.
8. Selections will be made by a committee consisting of individuals representing various DCI activities, whose decisions will be final. WELL WRITTEN essays are important, so please give yourself time to develop your answers fully.
9. The award will be announced during the 2021 Drum Corps International World Championships event alongside of other award recipients. Recipients will be notified prior to the announcement in order to gain acceptance of the award and its terms.
10. DO NOT STAPLE FORMS/DOCUMENTS
2021
Fred J Miller Memorial Music Education Fund
Scholarship Information

PERSONAL DATA

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone  ________________________________  Date of Birth ________________________   Age ___________

Email

Father’s Name  ______________________________________   Occupation  ____________________________

Address (if different from above)  ________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip  ___________________________________  Phone  ___________________________________

Mother’s Name  ______________________________________   Occupation  ____________________________

Address (if different from above)  ________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip  ___________________________________  Phone  ___________________________________

Number of siblings ________________________Are any involved in pageantry? __________________________

Age(s) of siblings ___________________ Any siblings in college, if so, how many? _______________________

Where do your siblings attend college? (if applicable) ________________________________________________

Are you employed?____________________ If yes, where and length of time with that employer? ___________

EDUCATION

High School  ________________________________________________________________________________

City & State  ________________________________________  Year in school  __________________________

College  ____________________________________________________________________________________

City & State  ________________________________________  College Major __________________________

DCI CORPS INFORMATION

With what corps are you performing?  ____________________________________________________________

Circle one:  Brass  Color Guard  Percussion  How long have you been a member of that unit? _______

With what other groups have you performed? ______________________________________________________
QUESTION 1

Academic progress: this includes grade point average, course load, extenuating circumstances and challenges overcome in your academic endeavors.

QUESTION 2

Extracurricular activities: including all scholastic, recreational and civic activities including pageantry. Identify YOUR accomplishments and responsibilities for these activities (for instance, we do not need a list of the corps accomplishments/placements).

QUESTION 3

Future plans: your plans and goals for post education. Where do you see yourself in five years?

QUESTION 4

Why do you want or need this scholarship?

I certify that the above and enclosed information is complete and true.

Applicant _____________________________________________________ Date_________________________

I have reviewed the above information and recommend this member for the FJM Memorial Music Education Scholarship.

Corps Director Signature ______________________________________________________________________

Corps ____________________________ Date_________________________

PLEASE ENCLOSE:

High School transcripts (including explanation of system, i.e. 4 point, etc.)
College transcripts (if applicable)
Two letters of recommendation from individuals other than Corps Director.
Two photos (one headshot)
SAT/ACT scores (optional and if available)

ALL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL