

# Waxahachie Band Booster Essay Scholarship 2024

## Requirements

- Application deadline for entry is **Friday, February 28, 2025.**
- Applicant must be a band member in good standing meeting current eligibility requirements, deserving of award consideration as determined by the directors, and have been enrolled in the WISD band program for his/her entire junior and senior years.
- Applicants must be in the top 50% of the 2025 graduating class. An official high school transcript must be attached to the application essay.
- Applicants must plan to attend college during the 2025-2026 academic school year. Students do NOT have to major in music to apply for a scholarship. Recipients must provide enrollment verification (e.g. copy of tuition payment and course registration, or other school issued enrollment verification) directly to the Band Boosters to receive funds. Funds will be distributed after July 1, 2025, with proof of college enrollment. Any fees owed to the Waxahachie Band Booster Club will be deducted from the scholarship amount on payout.
- Essay and transcript should be turned into Mr. Armstrong. No entries will be accepted after the deadline. Recipients will be announced at the Band Banquet and WHS Awards night.

Although the Band Booster organization is extremely proud of ALL graduating band seniors, it is only possible to give three \$500 essay scholarships. These will be awarded based on student essays that are judged to best meet the following criteria:

- Each applicant shall submit an essay of 500-750 words on the topic "What Band Has Meant to Me". Each essay should have a cover sheet with the student's name, title of essay and date.
- Essays should convey band themes of dedication, determination, discipline, pride, and teamwork.
- Essay should explain how band has been a positive influence for the student.
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- Applicants and applications must meet all stated requirements to be eligible for consideration. However, form and grammar are not to be influencing factors unless two papers are equally ranked.