



Studio West Dance Center

Scholarship Application

Deadline for applying for the school year dance program: Sept. 15
Application period may be extended due to enrollment
so please contact SWDC to inquire.

The purpose of the SWDC scholarship fund is to provide access to the arts and dance to deserving students who otherwise would not have the opportunity to have this experience.

The SWDC scholarship program is based on financial need and academic merit. The applicant must be in good standing in school. We are not limiting scholarships to only high academic students.

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Personal Data

1. Name _____
Last First Middle
2. Address _____
Street Address

City State Zip Code
3. Phone HM (____) _____
4. Email Address _____
5. Parent's Names _____ Dad _____ Mom _____
Phone: Parent(s) Cell _____
Phone: Parent (s) Work _____

Academic Data

Students on scholarship at SWDC must be within good academic standing in school as well as maintaining good attendance in dance classes. We would like to see that a scholarship awarded by SWDC goes to a student who will take advantage of this opportunity and someone who will fully engage and participate in dance.

6. School _____
7. Grade Level _____
8. Attach Transcript _____

Signature of Principal or Counselor

9. Letters of Reference – provide two letters of reference from either a teacher, counselor, coach, or organizational leader.
10. Essay- the student applicant must submit a brief essay on why he/she is interested in dance and speak to why they are deserving of a scholarship. Please attach the essay to this application upon submission. See below for additional ideas.
11. List other activities the student is involved in: _____

Financial Data

12. Annual Family Gross Income _____

13. Total Family Members in Household _____

14. List any assistance that the family receives _____

Please attach your most recent tax return, free lunch documentation, and any other supporting documents. SWDC commits to holding your personal data with the upmost privacy and security.

Selection Committee

A selection committee will be established by SWDC to review applications and award scholarships. Relatives of the selection committee are not eligible for scholarships under this program. A careful screening of the applications will take place and any application that is incomplete will not be submitted for final review.

Scholarship Amount

The scholarship amount may vary depending upon a student's need. Scholarships are only awarded to students who enroll in dance at the beginning of the fall semester. (Scholarships will be evaluated at the end of the fall semester to determine whether or not any spring scholarships will be awarded). The scholarship committee will take into consideration: the cost of the dance classes, the financial need of the family, the essay and involvement of the student applicant, the academic standing of the student, and the number of students dancing at SWDC. Scholarships do not carry over from one year to the next. Students must reapply each year. The number of scholarships awarded are determined by overall enrollment.

No scholarship will cover costs that are out of pocket costs to SWDC i.e. enrollment fee, ensemble/competition costs, costumes, DVD's of shows, t-shirts, tickets to the Winter Show or Spring Recital or anything else that SWDC would have to pay for out of their pocket, therefore, scholarships apply to dance tuition only.

Mandatory Notice

Any student on scholarship at SWDC must participate in the Winter Show in December and the Spring Recital in May.

APPLICATION CHECK LIST

- ✓ **APPLICATION FORM**
- ✓ **YOUR FAMILY'S MOST RECENT TAX RETURN**
- ✓ **OTHER FINANCIAL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS THAT MAY ASSIST WITH THE APPLICATION**
- ✓ **ESSAY DEPICTING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:**
 - **YOUR DANCE EXPERIENCE,**
 - **YOUR DESIRE TO DANCE,**
 - **YOUR GOALS WITH DANCE OR WHAT DANCE WOULD MEAN TO YOU,**
 - **WHAT THIS SCHOLARSHIP WOULD MEAN TO YOU**
- ✓ **TRANSCRIPT – MOST RECENT FROM SCHOOL**
- ✓ **LETTERS OF REFERENCE :**
 - **FROM A SCHOOL TEACHER OR COUNSELOR, COACH, ORGANIZATIONAL LEADER, MENTOR,**
 - **OR ANYONE WHO CAN SPEAK ON YOUR BEHALF OF WHY YOU ARE DESERVING OF THIS OPPORTUNITY OTHER THAN A PARENT OR RELATIVE**