

MUSIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Dear Music Educator,

Thank you for your willingness to write a letter of recommendation for your student. Your support is invaluable in helping your student achieve their goals, and we believe your insights will greatly contribute to their application.

To assist you in crafting a compelling recommendation letter, here are some suggestions:

1. **Highlight Musical Achievements:** Briefly outline their musical accomplishments. Mention any notable performances, awards, or achievements that showcase their talent and dedication.
2. **Provide Specific Examples:** Share specific instances or projects where you witnessed them excel in their musical pursuits. Concrete examples help paint a vivid picture of their skills and commitment.
3. **Address Work Ethic and Passion:** Emphasize their work ethic and passion for music. Discuss their commitment to practice, willingness to take on challenges, and how their enthusiasm sets them apart.
4. **Highlight Leadership and Collaboration:** If applicable, mention any instances where they demonstrated leadership or collaborated effectively with peers. Usdan values collaboration and community.
5. **Discuss Growth and Improvement:** Comment on their growth and improvement over time. Whether it's mastering a difficult piece, refining technique, or broadening their musical repertoire, showcasing progress is compelling.
6. **Connect Personal Attributes to Musical Success:** Link their personal attributes to their musical success. For example, if they exhibit discipline, resilience, or creativity, explain how these qualities enhance their musical abilities.

Thank you once again for your time and support in writing this recommendation letter. Your input is crucial in helping your student pursue their passion for music. If you have questions or need more information, please reach out.

Warm regards,

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