2023-2024 DGN FOFA SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

What is the Senior Scholarship?

The Downers Grove North Friends of Fine Arts (FOFA) are pleased to announce our **Senior Scholarship** award program. FOFA will award scholarships to seniors who are planning to continue their education in the fall following their high school graduation and who plan to participate in some capacity in the fine arts. **The FOFA Senior Scholarship Committee reviews the applications in a blind format.**

Who may apply?

Current DGN seniors may apply for a scholarship if they are planning to be both involved in the fine arts and continue their education in the fall of 2024. To be eligible, the student must be enrolled in a Fine Arts course during their senior year and have completed 6 semesters of Fine Arts courses upon graduation from Downers Grove North High School.

- At least one scholarship will be awarded to a senior attending a college in the fall where they will be pursuing a degree involving Fine Arts.
- At least one scholarship will be awarded to a senior who is pursuing an area of study outside of the Fine Arts but plans to continue a Fine Arts activity in college during their freshman year.
- One student who will be majoring in Fine Arts education will be awarded the Brayer Teague Scholarship for Arts Education

To what may the award be applied?

Recipients will use this one-time award towards tuition at an accredited two or four-year institution of higher learning. The FOFA Senior Scholarship will be administered and awarded in compliance with the DGN Student/Parent Handbook and Code of Conduct Policy.

How do I apply?

Complete the application (fillable Google Form), which can be found HERE or at DGN FOFA 2023-2024 Scholarship The application requires a typed parent/guardian acknowledgment signature. Applications must be submitted electronically via the Google Form no later than 11:59 pm, Wednesday, March 20, 2024. The Fine Arts Department Chairperson will then accept all applications, remove the student's name from the application, assign the application an ID number, and submit it to the Scholarship Review Committee for blind review.

What are the criteria for selecting winners?

The Scholarship Review Committee will review the applicant's grades in the Fine Arts, school activities involving the Fine Arts, activities outside of school involving the Fine Arts, other extracurriculars at DGN, civic/community service, work experience, and essays about the applicant's future plans and growth as an artist/musician/thespian. All of these components will be judged blindly and relative to other applicants with similar future plans. Semi-finalists may be required to attend an interview with the Scholarship Review Committee in April. The recipients will be presented with the scholarship at the DGN Senior Awards Night, currently scheduled for May 1st, 2024. If you require other arrangements please let us know.

Please note: If you are the recipient of a full Fine Arts or full academic grant/scholarship for college, we ask that you do not apply for the FOFA Scholarship as you will not be eligible.

Checklist for completion:

- 1. Complete the Google application form in its entirety, including student and parent electronic signature and date. We suggest you use Google Docs or another tool to create your essay responses, then copy these to the form.
- 2. Submit the completed application by 11:59 PM, Wednesday, March 20, 2024. You will receive a confirmation email within 24 hours that your submission has been received. If you do not receive an email, please re-submit.