

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



Student Scholarships

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS & DEADLINES FOR SUBMISSION

All applications are available online at <https://oagc.com/resources/scholarships/>.

February 15 Student Scholarship Award for Summer Programs (will vary, up to \$500)

April 15 College Scholarship Award (\$1000)

June 1 Distinguished Student Scholarship Award (\$1000)

November 15 Susan Faulkner Memorial Art Scholarship (grade-level groups: K-4 \$150, 5-8 \$250, 9-12 \$350)

TIMELINE

- Applicants will be notified within 45 days of the scholarship deadline whether or not they were selected to receive a scholarship
- School districts will be notified within 45 days of the scholarship application deadline

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

- Scholarship Committee decisions are final
- Not all applicants for OAGC scholarship awards will be selected
- Uncashed scholarship checks will be considered null and void 180 days after the date of issue

Student Scholarship & Susan Faulkner Memorial Art Scholarship

- Award checks will be made out directly to the program or activity, not to the student or their family
- Checks issued to one program are non-transferrable (to a different program)
- Notification of awards may fall AFTER a deadline for registration and/or payment required by a particular program or activity. OAGC will not adjust award notification to meet individual submission deadlines. It is our recommendation that you contact those in charge of registration ahead of their deadline to get further instructions. Most programs will reimburse you for the amount of the awarded scholarship but you will typically have to submit the required payment first to guarantee placement in the program your child wishes to attend.
- OAGC is not responsible for any registration fees submitted and does not guarantee that your child will receive a scholarship
- Scholarship awards may not be used to provide ongoing lessons

College Scholarship & Distinguished Student Award Scholarship

- This is a one-time award, so once a student has received the OAGC College Scholarship or Distinguished Student Award Scholarship they are not eligible to apply again for the same scholarship
- Scholarship awards will be made payable directly to the student

SUBMISSION

- Submit materials to: scholarships@oagc.com
- Applications must include ALL of the required materials at the time of submission-- incomplete applications will not be reviewed
- Late applications will not be reviewed
- Materials submitted electronically will receive a confirmation of receipt sent to the email address that submitted materials. Materials mailed will not receive confirmation. If mailing, make a copy of materials to keep for your records. We are not responsible for mail that does not reach the OAGC office.
- Submitted materials will not be returned (including submitted photos, photos of art work, and/or videos of performance pieces)
- Applications will be reviewed by a committee consisting of OAGC's Scholarship Chair, Parent Division Chair, two Governing Board Members, and a current Member of OAGC. One committee member must be the parent of a gifted child.

STUDENT ESSAY

- Essays **must be the original work of the student**. Age-appropriate expectations will be considered during essay review. Those reviewing applications are educators or have extensive experience in working with student writing samples.
- Essays should be typed and edited so they **do not exceed** the maximum word count
- Recommended formatting: single spaced, 12-point font (Calibri, Times New Roman, Arial)

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

- Each applicant must submit **two letters of recommendation**. Specific applications give additional guidance.
- Letters of recommendation should **connect** to the individual student's interests and strengths that have been observed by the person of influence. The student's overall score will reflect whether a common thread, expressing individual passion, curiosity, and/or artistic ability, has been woven throughout their application materials.