

Ralph Howlett Music Scholarship Application Instructions

For 51 years, Ralph Howlett lived with his wife in their Cherry Park home where they raised three children, all David Douglas High School graduates. For 28 years, he enjoyed helping the public as an officer in the Portland Police Bureau. He and Ruth liked to travel, do house projects, and spend time with their family.

A lifelong musician, he started piano lessons at age 11 and was playing professionally by 14. His primary instruments were the clarinet, and alto and baritone sax. He even took his clarinet to New Guinea when he was in the Navy. Ralph played in dance bands, (big band-type music) around Portland for more than 45 years, as well as in a clarinet quartet where they challenged themselves with difficult (usually classical) pieces. He was a long-time member of the East County Orchestra, which often performed in the David Douglas Howard Horner Performing Arts Center. The last week of his life, he played his clarinet for his caregiver and a chaplain - 77 years of being a musician!

Ralph Howlett was a well-liked, positive, conscientious man who worked hard in life. The Ralph Howlett Music Scholarship is being given by his children to honor their father and promote his commitment to education, the personal values he lived and the music he loved.

Scholarship Amount: \$1,500

Eligibility for Applicants:

- DDHS Senior who is planning to attend a community college or 4-year school.
- Participated in Band and/or Orchestra for at least 3 (three) years.
- Excellent character (i.e. volunteer work, well-liked by others, hard worker, good attendance, lack of disciplinary problems).
- Accumulative GPA 3.0 or higher.
- Plans to continue participating in Band or Orchestra in the future (college or community groups).
- **Not receiving** any other musical scholarships.

Scholarship Selection Committee:

- Applicants will be judged by a scholarship committee and they reserve the right to withhold the scholarship if none of the applicants meets the criteria.

Payment:

- Recipient will have one year from the award date to submit request for payment.
- Recipient will provide evidence of enrollment at a qualifying institution via e-mail to the DDEF Board President Beverly Fischer, fischerb310@gmail.com. Payment will be made by check in name of the qualifying institution.
- It is the responsibility of the recipient to request when that payment is to be made.

**Please return completed applications to the DDHS College & Career Center by
3:00 PM on March 31, 2024.**