***The 2026 Newark Community Band George Whitmyre Jr. Memorial Scholarship Application***

Deadline for Application: Friday, January 2, 2026

 ***Description of Award and Requirements***

This one-time award of $500.00 shall be presented to an ***11th or 12th Grade High School Student***. A committee appointed by The Newark Community Band Board of Directors shall select the recipient of this award. The award recipient shall have a minimum grade point average of ***2.8 on a 4.0 Scale***. Selection shall be based on a letter of recommendation provided by ***The High School Band Director*** and by ***Additional Criteria*** listed below. Preference shall be given to students continuing on to a school of higher learning, since this award is primarily intended to help with college or university expenses.

***The Student*** must have excellent sightreading skills and must participate in at least 8 Wednesday night rehearsals, 7:30 – 9:30 PM, in Newark during January, February, and March. The Newark Community Band George Whitmyre Jr. Memorial Scholarship Winner will be recognized at the 43rd Anniversary Concert on Sunday, March 15, 2026, at 3 PM, where they will receive their Scholarship Check.

(Please type or print clearly in ink)

**Student's Name:**

**Graduation Date (month & year):**

**Instrument(s) Played with Proficiency:**

 **Address:**

 **City: State: Zip Code:**

 **Phone: (H) (C) Email:**

**A.** **ACADEMIC INFORMATION:**

 School Attending:

 Cumulative Grade Point Average:

**B.** **AWARDS AND HONORS:**

(Please list honors, awards, scholarships, etc. you have received during high school, e.g. tryout or participation in All-State Band)

**C. MUSIC EXPERIENCE (DURING HIGH SCHOOL):**

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**D. COMMUNITY SERVICE OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:**

**E.** **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (DURING HIGH SCHOOL):**

**F. FUTURE EDUCATIONAL GOALS:**

**G. LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION** - Request a letter from your ***High School Band Director*** sent to ***Administrator@NewarkCommunityBand.com***

 **NOTE – If a letter is not received, your application is not complete and will not be considered.**

**H. SUMMER CONCERT SERIES** (please indicate if you are available June – early August 2026 to participate with the Newark Community Band in our local public concerts. Summer attendance is requested, but not required for award consideration).

 YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

You must submit your completed application form by ***January 2, 2026*** to:

***Administrator@NewarkCommunityBand.com***

 The winner of ***The 2026 Newark Community Band George Whitmyre Jr. Memorial Scholarship*** will be announced in the first week of January, 2026. The first rehearsal with our band is Wednesday, January 7, 2026.

 ***The Newark Community Band George Whitmyre Jr. Memorial Scholarship*** is funded by the Newark Community Band from public performance fees, public and private donations and contributions from our Community of Newark, Delaware. [www.newarkcommunityband.com](http://www.newarkcommunityband.com)