

January 14, 2026

Dear Band Students and Parents,

We are pleased to announce the opportunity for band students in grades 5-11 to audition for scholarship funds to be applied towards a summer music camp of their choice or additional services/events. This year the Dexter Band Boosters will be awarding scholarships at the annual **Band Booster Scholarship Auditions**. One student in each band between DHS, Mill Creek, and Creekside will receive seven scholarships of \$400. A professional music educator from a surrounding area school will serve as an adjudicator in awarding scholarships.

Scholarship auditions will take place at Dexter High School on **Tuesday, February 10th, at 6:30PM**. Audition check-in will be held in the DHS Band Room no later than 6:20PM. Students should perform a solo or music they have prepared, and provide one copy for the judge (photocopies are acceptable.) Scholarship winners will be announced the following day in band class. Parents are encouraged to attend!

Detailed information on music camps is available online using the web addresses below. Please view these in advance of audition night since *camp deadlines are quickly approaching*. Scholarships are also available through each camp.

**Summer 2025 Camp Information opportunities**

\***Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp** - 2 weeks - [http://www.bluelake.org/summer\\_school\\_of\\_the\\_arts.html](http://www.bluelake.org/summer_school_of_the_arts.html)

\***Interlochen** - <http://camp.interlochen.org/music-summer-programs>

- High School Division (Jr./Sr. band) - 1 week

\***U of M MPulse** (completed gr. 9-12) - [http://www.music.umich.edu/special\\_programs/youth/mpulse](http://www.music.umich.edu/special_programs/youth/mpulse)

\***MSU Middle School Band Camp** – (gr. 5-8) – 1 week - <https://cms.msu.edu/el/programs/summer-camps/middle-school-band-camp.html>

\***Herter Music Camp** – (gr. 6-10) – 1 week - <https://www.hertermusiccenter.com/bandcamp/>

\***Saline Summer Camp** – (gr. 5-12) – 6 weeks - You perform the National Anthem at a Tigers game!

**Additional Services or Events**

\*Use toward private lessons

\*Help for upgrading instruments

\*Tuition for Honors Bands/Youth Bands/Civic Bands

\*Attending clinics, master classes, or college instrument days

If you are interested in auditioning, please return the slip below to one of the band directors as soon as possible, but no later than **Wednesday, January 28th, 2026**.

Sincerely,  
Andrew Damman, Rachel Wilson, and Grace Prochaska

**P.S.** A Blue Lake scholarship representative will be visiting Dexter Schools February, 9th to hear students wishing to attend Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp for a scholarship opportunity. Students need only play from their solo & ensemble, band music, or band book (no accompanist necessary). Students may use their best Blue Lake scholarship and a Band Booster Scholarship (if awarded) to help cover costs at Blue Lake.

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**2026 BAND BOOSTER SCHOLARSHIP AUDITIONS -- APPLICATION FORM**

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Student Name

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Instrument/Grade

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Intended Use of Scholarship

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Parent Signature

**RETURN TO YOUR BAND DIRECTOR BY Wednesday, January 28th, 2026**