HUSKIE MARCHING BAND
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
2016-2017

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

To Apply for the Award:
1) Apply for admission to NIU at www.niu.edu/apply
2) Academic achievement: ACT composite score 19 or higher and high school GPA 2.75. Transfers should have 2.5 cumulative GPA.
3) Complete and submit this application
4) Submit a recommendation letter from your high school band director
5) Complete the audition in person, via DVD, or via YouTube

Decisions:
Up to 50 students will receive awards of $1,000 each. Scholarships can be awarded as soon as your application is complete, so apply now! Note: students with higher academic credentials may be given preference.

Training:
All members of the Huskie Marching Band are required to attend band camp, which is held one week before the start of the fall semester. Visit the Huskie Marching Band website at www.niu.edu/band in May for registration forms and additional information.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:
Name: _______________________________ NIU ZID #: _______________________________
E-Mail: _______________________________ Phone: _______________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________
City: ___________________________ State: _________ Zip: __________
High School: _______________________________ H.S. City/State: _____________________________
H.S. GPA: ___________________ ACT composite: ___________ Class rank: _____________
Intended major at NIU: __________________________________________________________
Instrument: Flute Clarinet Alto Saxophone Tenor Saxophone Trumpet
Trombone Horn/Mellophone Euphonium/Baritone Tuba Snare Drum
Tenor Drum (quints or quads) Colorguard
Years of experience performing on audition instrument or colorguard: ________________
AUDITION (CHOOSE ONE):

Audition Method:  1) Live audition: Email the Huskie Band Office at band@niu.edu to schedule an audition Monday - Wednesday during the NIU semester.
   2) YouTube video or web link: ____________________________
   3) DVD. Include with this application.

Woodwinds and Brass: The audition must contain Hail to the Huskies and the Huskie Fight Song, available at www.niu.edu/band/multimedia/library/index.shtml as well as two contrasting etudes or solo excerpts that demonstrate both technical and expressive capability. Each etude or solo should last no more than two minutes. All-District, All-State, or NIU School of Music audition etudes are appropriate for this portion of the audition.

Drumline: Perform either the snare, tenor or bass drum parts for the exercises found at www.niu.edu/band/drumline/index.shtml. Also include a recording of your performance of a rudimental snare or tenor drum solo that lasts from 2-3 minutes. The only positions available are for field battery. All scholarship recipients must still successfully audition for a position within the NIU drumline, on Saturday April 23 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on the NIU campus. An audition preparation camp will be held on Saturday, April 2 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. to help prospective members prepare for the audition. Drumline students can audition for the marching band scholarships in person at either April camp.

Colorguard: Include a DVD or Youtube video no longer than 5 minutes that demonstrates the most challenging part of your current marching band or winterguard routine. Select footage that highlights your skill in performing with a flag and your skill in movement and marching. All scholarship recipients must still successfully audition for a position within the NIU colorguard on Saturday April 23 from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on the NIU campus. Colorguard candidates must have a minimum of 2 years experience in colorguard, winterguard, or DCI to be eligible for the award.

REFERENCE:

Please provide us with the name and contact information for the person that will be submitting a recommendation (should be your high school band director). Recommendations can be submitted to the address below or via email to band@niu.edu.

Name: ____________________________ Title: ____________________________
Office Address: ____________________________
Office Phone Number: ____________________________ E-Mail: ____________________________

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:  HUSKIE MARCHING BAND
       RE: SCHOLARSHIP AUDITIONS
       SCHOOL OF MUSIC, ROOM 163
       DeKALB, IL 60115

REQUIRED SIGNATURE:

I understand that my academic and any other pertinent records will be verified by the appropriate department and university offices.

Applicant Signature: ____________________________ Date: __________