

*enriching lives through music*



**Mountain Top**  
*Music Center*

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### **Tuition Assistance Fall 2019 - Summer 2020**

At Mountain Top Music Center, we endeavor to make the study of music financially accessible to all. Tuition assistance, based on need, is available to help mitigate the expense of music study.

### **Policies**

- The **tuition assistance application** must be completed and returned before lessons begin in order to receive reduced tuition.
- Mountain Top Music Center's tuition assistance program works on a **sliding scale**. We award different amounts of tuition assistance depending on household income and the availability of Mountain Top Music Center's scholarship funds. Mountain Top sometimes awards tuition assistance to families who do not meet income limits when **special circumstances** are involved, at the discretion of the director.
- Tuition assistance is **awarded in the fall for the full calendar year**, though applications will be reviewed and accepted on a rolling basis after the commencement of the fall term subject to availability of funds.
- Tuition assistance may be applied to **one course of study**; for example, towards piano lessons *or* violin lessons, but not both at once. This ensures the scholarship fund remains equitable and sustainable.
- Tuition assistance must be **renewed** each year.
- In order to enable as many students as possible to benefit from reduced tuition costs, we do not currently offer full tuition remission.
- Applications are both reviewed and held **confidentially**. Mountain Top Music Center **does not discriminate** on the basis of gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin, marital status, or age in employment or administration of its educational policies, scholarship and financial aid programs, or other school administered programs or activities.

Students receiving financial aid must **commit to the following**:

1. Regular attendance at lessons/classes/ensembles.
2. Regular practice at home.
3. Participation in performances.
4. Effort and achievement.

Students who are evaluated by faculty and administration as not engaging sufficiently with their course of study may be denied future tuition assistance.

# Application

To determine whether you qualify for Mountain Top Music Center’s tuition assistance program, find your family size on the left column of the table below, then find the income level appropriate to your household in the columns to the right. We ask you to consider your total gross income, taxable or not, in figuring your income level.

## INCOME ELIGIBILITY LEVELS - Guideline

Family Size	Level I	Level II	Level III
1	\$11,368	\$15,157	\$18,946
2	\$15,280	\$20,373	\$25,466
3	\$19,205	\$25,607	\$32,009
4	\$23,118	\$30,824	\$38,530
5	\$27,030	\$36,040	\$45,050
6	\$30,956	\$41,274	\$51,593
7+	\$34,868	\$46,491	\$58,114
Assistance level	58%	48%	38%

To apply for tuition assistance, complete all information on this form, attach **either** your **most recent IRS Form 1040**, or **copies of two recent consecutive pay stubs** and mail to Mountain Top Music Center, PO Box 1228, Conway, NH 03818, scan and email to [office@mountaintopmusic.com](mailto:office@mountaintopmusic.com), or bring to the school. **You must reapply for tuition assistance each year.**

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### STUDENT INFORMATION:

Student Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Student’s Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Town where student resides: \_\_\_\_\_

Programs/lessons registered (ie: 30 min. private lessons): \_\_\_\_\_

Total tuition (calculate to the best of your ability): \_\_\_\_\_

Total tuition you can pay: \_\_\_\_\_

Total tuition assistance you are requesting: \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY INCOME INFORMATION** (Please provide latest available gross yearly income).

Parent/Guardian or Adult Student

Parent/Guardian or Adult Student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation

\_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer/Business

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer/Business

\_\_\_\_\_  
Total income

\_\_\_\_\_  
Total income

Total household income \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people in household \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe below any special circumstances that create financial need. Use a separate page if necessary

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I certify that all of the above information is true, correct, and complete

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian/Adult Student

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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For Office Use Only:

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Tuition Assistance Awarded: \_\_\_\_\_

Award Letter Sent (date): \_\_\_\_\_