MOUNTAIN TOP
music center

Tuition Assistance - Fall 2026 - Summer 2027

At Mountain Top Music Center, we aim to make the study of music financially accessible to all. Tuition assistance, based on need, is available to music students 18 and under to help mitigate the expense of music study. In selected cases, assistance may be available to students older than 18.

Policies

- This **tuition assistance application** should be completed and returned before the student begins lessons if at all possible.
- 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 whose income exceeds our limits when **special circumstances** affect a family's ability to pay. These exceptions are made at the discretion of the director.*
- Tuition assistance is **awarded in the fall and is in effect until the end of the following summer term**. Applications will be reviewed and accepted on a rolling basis after the fall term starts, subject to availability of funds.
- Tuition assistance may be applied to **one course of study per student**; for example, towards piano lessons *or* violin lessons, but not both at once. This keeps scholarship awards equitable and sustainable. *Exceptions may be made to this policy at the discretion of the Director of Education.*
- A new tuition assistance application must be submitted each year.
  So that as many students as possible can benefit from reduced tuition, 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, sex/gender/sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin,marital status, or age in employment or administration of its educational policies, scholarship and financial aid programs (except as specified above), 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. Please use your total gross income, taxable or not, in figuring your income level. ***Note that in some cases, and at the discretion of the director, we may be able to award assistance to families whose income falls outside these guidelines***

Family Size	Level I	Level II	Level III
1	$15,960.00	$21,279.	$26,599.
2	$21,320.00	$28,425.	$35,532.
3	$27,320.00	$36,425.	$45,531.
4	$33,000.00	$43,998.	$54,998.
5	$38,680.00	$51,572.	$64,464.
6	$44,360.00	$59,145.	$73,930.
7+	$50,040.00	$66,718.	$83,397.
Assistance Level	60%	50%	40%

To apply for tuition assistance, complete **all information** on this form, and attach ***either*** your most recent IRS Form 1040, copies of two recent consecutive pay stubs, or other government-issued documentation of income. You may mail, email or bring the form and income documents to Mountain Top Music Center. Address: PO Box 1228, Conway, NH 03818; office@mountaintopmusic.org. **You must reapply for tuition assistance each fall.**

STUDENT INFORMATION:

Student Name(s):_____

Student's Parent/Guardian:_____Phone:_____

Email:_____

Town where student resides: _____

Student's lesson/class (ie: 30 min. private guitar lesson): _____

Total tuition [fall (13 wks)+spring (18 wks)+summer (8 wks) terms - 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).

REMEMBER TO INCLUDE TAX RETURN OR RECENT PAY STUBS!

Parent/Guardian #1	Parent/Guardian #2
_____	_____
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.

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I certify that the above information is true, correct, and complete (please sign)

_____	_____
Parent/Guardian	Parent/Guardian
Date:_____	Date:_____

For Office Use Only:

Date Received: _____ *Award Letter Sent (date):*_____

Tuition Assistance Awarded: _____