



Application Deadline: May 3, 2021

April 1, 2021

Dear Financial Aid Applicant:

The Preucil School of Music is pleased to be able to offer aid to students in need of financial assistance for instrument lessons and Preschool. Although the funds available for aid are limited, the School works hard to raise funds to award partial aid to those families and students most in need.

Financial Aid to current students is given on the basis of the following criteria:

1. Financial need of the family
2. Merit – based on practice discipline, motivation and a desire to achieve
3. Instrument student has been enrolled at Preucil School or Preucil Preschool in the previous year and/or has been enrolled in at least three (3) Music Together® sessions
4. Recommendation of the student's teacher regarding student's preparation of lessons and eagerness to learn
5. Active involvement of student and family in Preucil School enrichment activities and volunteer programs

Financial Aid to new students is given on the basis of the following criteria:

1. Financial need of the family
2. Participation in student and family in Preucil School enrichment activities and volunteer programs

In allocating aid, the Preucil School of Music is recognizing the devoted efforts of caring parents and offering the services of dedicated faculty. This requires an obligation on the part of the applicant to **demonstrate sustained effort in the student's studies if given financial aid**. Such efforts would include careful practice periods (length agreed upon with the teacher) at least six days per week, regular attendance at group lessons, and a strong desire to progress.

Financial Aid students are required to participate in*:

1. Group and/or orchestra if a string student and qualifies by age and ability
2. Musical Achievement Week
3. Annual Reflections and Goal Setting Process
4. Volunteer Program

*With programs and activities being canceled in 2020-21, financial awards will not be impacted by a student's lack of participation in activities or the parent's lack of participation in volunteering.

To apply:

1. Please complete the Application Form (3 pages) in entirety on each student; your child needs to sign the Statement of Intent Form as an expression of their commitment.
2. Include a copy of pages 1 & 2 of your **most recent Federal Income Tax Return** (including Schedules 1-6) for the person claiming the student.
3. Mail application, tax return and any supporting documentation by **May 3, 2021** to Preucil School of Music, 524 N Johnson Street, Iowa City, IA 52245 or scan and email all documents to: tbirkenholz@preucil.org.
4. Please ask each of your teachers to complete and submit a Faculty Recommendation Form, which also needs to be submitted to the office by **May 3, 2021**. (The teacher will turn their form directly into the office.)
5. The Financial Aid Committee will **not** consider incomplete applications. Awards will be finalized in June and notification of all applicants will occur by the end of the June.

Please direct any questions to the Tom Birkenholz, Business Manager, tbirkenholz@preucil.org or discuss with your teacher.

Sincerely,
The Preucil Financial Aid Committee

Preucil School of Music

Financial Aid Application Form

For 2021-22 Academic Year

Due Date: May 3, 2021

Office Use only:

PSM ID# _____

*Please turn in one form per student. If the student takes more than one instrument, only one form is needed.
If you have more than one child at the School or Preschool, turn in one form for each child.*

Date: _____ Student's Name: _____

Age*: _____ *Students are applicable until they receive their GED/high school graduation AND have reached their 18th birthday on or before June 30 of the academic year they are applying.

School: _____

Please Check One:

☐ Returning Instrument Student ☐ New Instrument Student ☐ Returning Preschool Student

Parent Name(s) & Address: _____

Parent 1 E-mail: _____ Parent 2 E-mail: _____

Parent 1 Phone/Cell: (____) _____ Parent 2 Phone/Cell: (____) _____

of children in family: _____ # of children enrolled at Preucil: _____

Returning INSTRUMENT Students complete this section:

Current Teacher(s): _____ Instrument(s) Studying: _____

When did you first enroll at the Preucil School? _____

During the *current* academic year:

☐ Length of lesson on the (violin, viola, cello, bass, piano, flute or voice) is _____ minutes/week.

Length of lesson on 2nd instrument (violin, viola, cello, bass, piano, flute or voice) is _____ minutes/week.

☐ Which group/orchestra, if applicable, did your child participate in? _____

Violins: Foundation, Book 1, Book 2, Book 3, Books 4-5, Ensemble con Brio, Espressivo Strings

Violas: Books 1-4

Cellos: Pretwinkle, Book 1, Book 2, Book 3, Junior Cello Choir or Cello Choir

Orchestras: Prelude, Crescendo Strings, Vivace Strings, Concert Orchestra, Philharmonia or Sinfonietta

Piano Groups: Book 1, Book 2, Book 3

Flute Group

☐ Was your child enrolled in Preucil Preschool last year? (circle one) Yes or No

☐ List any volunteer activity in which you participated during the academic year. _____

Plans for the *upcoming academic year*:

☐ Length of private lessons will be _____ minutes.

☐ Name of group/orchestra your child will be participating in _____

Group Classes for: Flute, Piano, Violin, Viola or Cello

Orchestras: Prelude, Crescendo Strings, Vivace Strings, Concert Orchestra, Philharmonia or Sinfonietta

NEW or NEW INSTRUMENT Students complete this section:

Please check the box that pertains to your situation and fill in the information requested.

☐ My child would like to start lessons at Preucil School of Music in the Fall of 2021.

Instrument: _____ (violin, viola, cello, bass, voice, piano, flute)

Is this your first experience with instrument lessons? Explain _____

☐ My child would like to come to the Preucil School of Music to continue their musical study.

Instrument: _____ (violin, viola, cello, bass, voice, piano, flute)

Current teacher: _____

Length of Study: _____

Current Repertoire: _____

☐ My child is enrolled Preucil Preschool this fall. (circle one) Yes or No

Returning *PRESCHOOL* Students complete this section:

Current Preschool Teacher(s): _____

When did you first enroll at the Preucil School? _____

During the *current* fiscal year:

☐ Class the child attended _____ (2-Day, 3-Day or 5-Day)

☐ Music Together Sessions the child attended _____ (Fall, Winter, Spring, Summer)

☐ Did your child participate in Preucil instrument lessons? _____

Please Circle instrument(s): (violin, viola, cello, bass, piano, flute, harp or voice)

☐ Did your family volunteer for any activity or event? _____

Plans for the *upcoming academic year*:

☐ What class has your child been placed in for the Fall? _____ (2-Day, 3-Day or 5-Day)

FAMILY FINANCIAL INFORMATION – This section only needs to be filled out once per family.

Gross Income (before taxes):

Head of Household \$ _____

Spouse's Earnings \$ _____

Alimony/Child Support \$ _____

Other Income \$ _____

Total Income \$ _____**Other Assets**

Savings Accts \$ _____

Real Estate \$ _____

Stocks/Bonds \$ _____

Other Investments \$ _____

Total \$ _____**Exceptional Expenses (per year):**

Medical/Dental: \$ _____

(Not covered by ins.)

Support of child in \$ _____

College

Alimony/child support \$ _____

Other \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Father's Occupation: _____

Mother's Occupation: _____

Rent/Mortgage per month: \$ _____

Parents are: ☐ Married*☐ Divorced☐ Legally separated☐ Widowed

***If married, but filing separately, please provide copies of both tax forms. If legally separated, please provide salary & tax information for both parents.**

Please indicate any special circumstances, which bear on your need for financial assistance: _____

A complete financial aid application includes:

- ☐ Completed **Financial Aid Application Form**, front and back with signed **Student's Statement of Intent** (below)
- ☐ Copy of your most recent **Federal tax return** (pages 1 & 2), including Schedules 1-6 for parent(s) claiming the student.
- ☐ Completed **Faculty Recommendation Form** (faculty member will turn in to the office)

Parental Signature_____
Date_____
Parental Signature_____
Date**Returning Instrument Student's Statement of Intent** (One per student)

I desire to progress in my studies at the Preucil School of Music. I understand that only limited funds are available to students in need. Should I receive such aid, I willingly commit to practicing, attending group classes on a regular basis, following the instructions of my teacher, and actively participating in financial aid activities, musical achievement week, and the student assessment process.

_____
Student Signature_____
Date

For Office Use Only:

Received by: _____

Aid Granted: _____

Database entry: _____

Date: _____

Group/Orch: _____

Accounting Entry: _____

Preucil School of Music

Faculty Recommendation for Financial Aid

Deadline: May 3, 2021

Student's Name: _____ Date: _____

Instrument: _____ How long has he/she been your student? _____

Do you recommend this student for financial aid? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Did student participate in: Musical Achievement? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please comment on the applicant's lesson preparation, eagerness to learn, and family involvement in Preucil School activities and volunteer program (please elaborate):

In order to standardize our faculty recommendations for financial aid, we ask you to circle the appropriate rating to the questions listed below. This information will be used in addition to your narrative comments.

Category **Rating** (1=needs attention, 2=unsatisfactory; 3=average, 4=typical, 5=exemplary)

Student displays a high level of musical expression and interpretation. 5 4 3 2 1

Student/parent attends lessons regularly. 5 4 3 2 1

Student demonstrates enthusiasm for study. 5 4 3 2 1

Student consistently makes progress technically. 5 4 3 2 1

Student responds well to instruction. 5 4 3 2 1

Parent(s) supports child's participation in group, orchestra and special events. 5 4 3 2 1

Parent(s) support School through volunteer activities, attending special events, etc. 5 4 3 2 1

Faculty Signature