

## **2022-23 Raider Area Choir Booster Club Senior Scholarship Guidelines**

The Raider Area Choir Booster Club is proud to present the annual senior choir scholarships to deserving seniors enrolled in choir at Wylie East. The following information describes the application and judging process. Questions may be directed to a WEHS Choral Director or the RACBC President.

### **Instructions**

Students shall complete the attached application in its entirety and return to Dr. Dame by the deadline listed on the application. Failure to complete all parts of the application process shall result in disqualification. The scholarship application will contain student information (to be kept independent of the rest of the process), allows for students to describe their history in the choral program, contains two blank teacher recommendation forms, and includes an essay prompt.

### **Judging**

Student information will be kept confidential throughout the judging process. Applications will be referred to by number with the student name and identifying number kept by the RACBC Executive Board. Board members whose children have applied for the RACBC Senior Choir Scholarship shall be excused from all aspects of the scholarship process.

Applications and essays shall be scored independently by three (3) judges with knowledge and appreciation of Wylie East Choral Activities. Judges will rank the candidates from first to last based on their history within the choral program, teacher recommendations, and essay. Judges shall review all students who meet all application requirements. The directors will not be involved in the scholarship review process.

Ties shall be broken in the order of: (1) post-secondary music participation (i.e., choral ensemble participation in college or community organizations, music major/minor, etc.), (2) years of experience in the WEHS Choral Department, (3) academic GPA.

### **Scholarship Guidelines**

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Students must be a senior enrolled full-time at Wylie East.
2. Students must be enrolled in choir for a minimum of two (2) years, including their senior year.
3. Students must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA.
4. Students must submit two (2) recommendations from a Wylie East teacher (cannot include choir).
5. Students must participate in UIL Concert & Sight-Reading at least two (2) years.
6. Students must participate in TMEA All-State Auditions or Solo & Ensemble Contest at least once.
7. Students must complete the application in its entirety (including essays) and submit prior to the deadline.

### **Awards**

The RACBC will award up to eight (8) scholarships for varying amounts ranging from \$250-\$1000 each. Scholarships may not be "need" based, but those students receiving a full scholarship from a university, college, or outside organization will not be eligible for the RACBC Senior Choir Scholarship.

Awards shall be sent directly to the financial aid office of the school selected by the award recipient. Award recipients shall notify the RACBC Booster Board by June 1 of their school selection. Failure to meet this deadline will result in forfeiture of award funds.

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**Application Deadline: March 18, 2022**

Application must be turned in to Dr. Dame in the Choir Room by **Friday, March 17, 2023**. For the Teacher Recommendation, provide the form and an envelope (well in advance) for your recommending teacher. He/She will return the recommendation to Dr. Dame's mailbox *in the sealed envelope* by **Friday, March 17, 2023**.

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Application Number (leave blank, to be completed by RACBC) \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Teachers providing recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

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College/University for Award Distribution (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

Application Number (to be completed by RACBC) \_\_\_\_\_

Years of involvement in WEHS Choir: \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Year Choir Grade Average: \_\_\_\_\_

What are your plans after leaving WEHS? (include college acceptance and major if known):

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Do you plan to continue singing in a choir (college, church, community) after you leave WEHS? \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, describe your plans.

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List extra choir activities in which you have participated in high school.

Solo & Ensemble Contest:

Solo:	9 – Rating _____	10 – Rating _____	11 – Rating _____	12 – Rating _____
Ens:	9 – Rating _____	10 – Rating _____	11 – Rating _____	12 – Rating _____
Auditioned for Region: (circle)	9	10	11	12
Region Choir Member:	9	10	11	12
Pre-Area Audition:	9	10	11	12
Area Audition:	9	10	11	12
All State Choir Member:	9	10	11	12

List any extra-curricular activities in which you have participated during high school (church choir, sports, cheerleading, vocal awards, etc.):

_____	9	10	11	12
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What leadership position(s) have you held in high school choir?

9th \_\_\_\_\_

10th \_\_\_\_\_

11th \_\_\_\_\_

12th \_\_\_\_\_

List any part-time job you have had.

Where?	Hours per week			
_____	9	10	11	12
_____	9	10	11	12
_____	9	10	11	12
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### Essay Prompt

The essay must be typed, double-spaced, and contain no more than 750 words. Do not write your name on the essay. Your essay will be coded with your application number and attached to your application.

In your own words, please answer this prompt:

*In what ways has your time in the Wylie East Choral Department impacted your life and prepared you for success in your future?*

## Wylie East High School Choir – Teacher Recommendation

Dear Teacher,

The following student has requested a recommendation from you as part of the application for a scholarship offered by the WEHS Choir Department. Your input is a critical part of the selection process, so please take a few minutes to complete this form. Your candid evaluation of this student is most appreciated. Please keep this evaluation confidential, and return this recommendation sealed in the attached envelope, to Dr. Dame’s mailbox, no later than **Friday, March 18, 2022**. Please use blue or black ink.

Student Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Subject (print): \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you known the student? \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Please rate on a scale of 1 to 5:</b>	<b>1-Never</b>	<b>2-Rarely</b>	<b>3-Sometimes</b>	<b>4-Often</b>	<b>5-Always</b>
Student shows a desire to learn.	1	2	3	4	5
Student has a strong work ethic.	1	2	3	4	5
Student works well with peers.	1	2	3	4	5
Student shows respect towards teacher.	1	2	3	4	5
Student is self-motivated.	1	2	3	4	5
Student demonstrates good citizenship.	1	2	3	4	5
Student has met my expectations.	1	2	3	4	5

In your opinion, why is this student deserving of a scholarship?

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Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Thank you,

WEHS Choir