# Cab Calloway School Fund Scholarship Information and Instructions 2024

#### The Cab Calloway Arts Enrichment Scholarship

This program was created by MBNA in 1995 to honor the legendary Cab Calloway. These competitive scholarships range up to \$1,000 per student and can be used for any arts subject taught at Cab Calloway School of the Arts (CCSA). Students currently in 6th - 11th grade are eligible to apply. The intention is to enrich the arts education of CCSA students, *specifically during the summer when CCSA is not in session*, but when highly rated summer programs are offered. The number and size of awards depends on how much funding is available each year.

## **Administration**

School Fund is a non-profit organization created to support the mission of the Cab Calloway School of the Arts and is a separate entity from the school itself. Scholarship applications <u>must</u> be mailed to the Cab Calloway School Fund's Post Office Box.

Your application is confidential and will be reviewed only by members of the Scholarships Committee. Neither the Fund nor Cab Calloway School personnel will see your financial records. The records are used to calculate financial need and held in strict confidence. Scholarship funds are limited. Awards are based on merit, financial need, and on a first-come-first-serve basis until funds are exhausted.

The Cab Calloway Scholarship Program does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, national or ethnic origin, disability, gender, or sexual orientation in its scholarship review process or any other scholarship program activity.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

All applicants must be in 6th - 11th grade and currently enrolled at Cab Calloway School of the Arts. Students who will not be returning for the 2024-2025 school year are not eligible. Scholarships are not valid if the student is no longer enrolled.

Cab Calloway Fund Arts Enrichment Scholarships can be used for any **arts** subject taught at Cab Calloway School. The program does not have to be in the student's major. *Only arts-related programs are eligible for this scholarship*.

If you received a Cab scholarship award last year, and failed to write and submit a review of your program upon completion, per instructions on the acceptance letter, you may be disqualified from receiving a Cab scholarship this year.

### **Application and Selection Process**

The application packet must be completed according to the instructions. Brief supporting materials are helpful, but not required. The application must be signed by the student applicant and parent or guardian of the applicant, and mailed directly to the Cab Calloway Fund Scholarship Program and received by or postmarked **no later than March 1, 2024.** Recommendation forms may be sent directly by the teacher(s), or included in the application packet. More than one recommendation may be required. Please note instructions carefully. If the student applicant qualifies for free or reduced lunch, no additional financial information is needed. Indicate that the applicant is eligible for the free or reduced price lunch program on the application. *Participation will be verified by Dean Gray-Bolden*.

If the student does not qualify for free or reduced lunch, parents shall submit their most recent Federal Tax Return (Form 1040). This information is used to calculate financial need and held in strict confidence by the Fund administration. Neither the Fund nor Cab Calloway School personnel will see your tax records. If you file a Federal Income Tax Return (Form 1040) on which this applicant is claimed as a dependent, please enclose a copy of the front and back (2022 or 2021). If you do not have a Tax Return for either of the past two years, please verify income (pay stub/ W-2 or statement of unemployment benefits). Please remove any social security, date of birth, and any other information you would like to remain private, however all financial information must remain visible.

The scholarship selection committee will not review incomplete applications. If you do not provide your complete financial information as noted above, you will not be eligible to be considered for a scholarship. The Cab Calloway Scholarship Program is not responsible for late, lost, or misdirected mail.

The scholarship selection committee will make scholarship decisions by April 15, 2024.

#### **Scholarship Awards**

Scholarship awards are for tuition, cost of lessons, and if provided as part of a residency program, for room and board. *Transportation to and from a program is not eligible for scholarship award*. If there are special costs, you may itemize them for the committee to consider as a factor.

Cab Calloway Fund Arts Enrichment Scholarships are awarded up to \$1,000. The maximum award in any school year is \$1,000 per student. The amount is dependent upon merit, the cost of the program, and other resources available to the applicant. If a student has received United Way funds during the school year, that amount may apply towards the \$1,000.00 per year limit per student, and will be considered in the selection committee's final award decision.

Scholarship payments will be made **directly to the supplier of the service**. Reimbursement can be made for expenses already incurred to meet deadlines for upcoming arts programs if receipts or cancelled checks are provided.

Awards will not be granted for programs already begun. Awards are valid only for the intended use stated in the scholarship award letter.

Scholarship awards are non-transferable. Scholarships can be used ONLY for the program/lessons that were requested in the application. **All claims for scholarship payment must be submitted to the Cab Fund Treasurer by May 30, 2024**, or you will forfeit your scholarship.

#### **Filling Out the Application**

# Applications must be postmarked or received by March 1, 2024

Scholarship decisions will be determined by *April 15, 2024*. Apply early and make a copy of the application and forms for your records. If you determine that something is unclear or missing from your application, you may have time to fix it before the final deadline. **Complete your own application.** Your parents have a section to complete (Parent Information), but they must not complete the rest of the application for you.

**Please type to complete form.** If the application is not legible, it will not be processed. Make sure your answers are spelled correctly and legibly. **Please Do Not Staple Forms.** *Use the Checklist at the end of the Application* to be sure you have included everything.

IMPORTANT: The committee will not consider incomplete applications.

#### **Scholarship-Specific Questions:**

Scholarships@cabcallowayschoolfund.org

Applications *MUST* be mailed to the Cab Calloway School Fund, *NOT* mailed or delivered to school. They must be postmarked or received by March 1, 2024.

Please mail completed application to:

Cab Calloway School Fund P.O. Box 4642 Wilmington, DE 19807 Attention: CCSF Scholarships