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2027

Traditional Student's Application for Music and/or Education Majors

Adams County Community Foundation and the Tiffany Abner Memorial Scholarship Fund for Adams County / Jay County students

Scholarship Application

Adams County / Jay County, Indiana High School seniors

(through the) Adams County Community Foundation



This application is for traditional, on-track, nontraditional students applying for scholarships through the Adams County Community Foundation (ACCF) for academic goals to major in music or education.

This scholarship opportunity is offered through the Adams County Community Foundation / Tiffany Grace Abner Fund in memory of a young woman who was very active with the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Bryant, IN and the Adams and Jay County communities. Musically, Tiffany was an avid violinist. She enrolled in the MusicWorks program to expand her skills by studying cello. This fund will be an annual tribute to remember Tiffany, her talents, and her love of music.

The ACCF Scholarships will be awarded through an application process designed to recognize deserving May / June 2027 graduates. Pages must be submitted in this order:

Check-off:		**Pages:**
☐	Scholarship Application may be delivered or emailed to the Adams County Community Foundation at: accf@AdamsCountyFoundation.org. This application is due by Wednesday, **January 20, 2027**, 4:00pm (EST) Questions? Please contact the ACCF at 102 N. 2nd Street, Decatur / (260) 724-3939 or email: accf@AdamsCountyFoundation.org.	
☐	Scholarship application (numbered pages 1-2) .. Note: pg. 2, student and parent signatures required	1-2*
☐	Student, Guardian's/Parent's personal employment information (numbered page 3)	3
☐	Additional page(s) as allowed (see application), all additional info may be submitted on one page (if needed, place here)	?
☐	Student's high school transcript (this may be one or two pages, printed one sided)	4,5
☐	Student's letter of recommendation (from a non-relative) – this does not need to be a seal letter (one letter from a student's high school administrator, teacher, student's supervisor, or family friend – must be non-relative)	5,6

Do:	Complete the application either by (preferred) computer (12 font) or neatly written.
Do:	Note the order in which the pages should be stapled or submitted (see above)
Do:	Attach your picture to the application (pg. 1).
Do/Mailed	(for mailed copies) re: your picture, please have your name on the back of the photo.
Do/Mailed:	(for mailed copies) Print one sided. Staple your applications in the upper left corner.
Do/Mailed:	(for mailed copies) Submit your approximate 6-page application in one envelope with appropriate postage
Do not:	Miss The Deadline!! By 4:00 PM, **Wednesday, January 20, 2027** at the Adams County Community Foundation, 102 N. Second Street, Decatur, IN 46733.

The ACCF recommends each student retain a copy of this application and letter of recommendation.



Questions? Comments? The staff at the Adams County Community Foundation (ACCF) welcomes your call:
(260) 724-3939 or email message: accf@AdamsCountyFoundation.org
Hours: M-Th 8-4, & F 8-1, / Please visit the ACCF website: www.AdamsCountyFoundation.org
If you want to drop this off before or after hours, please use the mail slot on the ACCF, Madison Street door.
ACCF, 102 N. 2nd Street, Decatur, IN 46733

(This Instructions and Information page does not need to be included with your application to the ACCF)

The Adams County Community Foundation, Inc.

Tiffany Abner Memorial Scholarship

Planned major: Music or Education

Please attach your picture in this box.

FYI:
T / Traditional: This student is a graduating high school senior planning to attend college in the fall.

OT /OnTrack: This student has been out of high school 1-5 years and is either a current college student or plans to attend in the fall.

NT / NonTraditional: This student has been out of high school 5+ years and/or has a child. This student is either a current college student or plans to attend in the fall.

Program Eligibilities:

1) Must be a resident of **Adams County** or **Jay County** Indiana School. Eligible: T, OT, or NT student.
2) Must have demonstrated an interest in a particular musical area; and
3) Priority given (but not limited to): a GPA average 2.0 (on 4.0 scale), and
4) Must plan to enter an accredited postsecondary accredited college this fall.

Include with this application (listed as supplemental):

1) Student's most recent transcript
2) One letter of recommendation (from non-relative)

Please return this completed three-page application (plus supplemental required materials) to the Adams County Community Foundation (ACCF), 102 N. Second St. Decatur, IN 46733 or electronically submit this application to: accf@AdamsCountyFoundation.org by 4:00 pm, Wednesday, January 20, 2027. Faxed copies are not accepted. Post marks on mailed copies (to designate date submitted) will not be accepted. Copies dropped off at the ACCF before or after hours may use the mail-slot on the ACCF, Madison St. door. Applications that do not meet this due date and time will not be considered.

Type or print

Last Name	First Name	MI	Home Telephone

Permanent Street Address	City, State, Zip	Email

Name(s) of Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s)	Address (if different from above)

Name of High School	Street Address	City, State ZIP	Telephone

Year graduated from h.s.	Particular area of interest or major:	GPA (4.0 scale)

List Below Musical Programs in which you have participated:	City, State, ZIP	Year began / year concluded	

Major Pursuit:	
Projected Graduation Date from college (Month/Year):	

School / Personal Activities, Awards and Honors: Beginning with the current year, list all activities, awards and/or honors received during the last four years.

If necessary, you may add a page to complete this information.

Tell us about the music instruction or experience and why it is important to your education:

If necessary, you may add a page to complete this information.

In a short paragraph, describe your decision to pursue your degree in the area of music or education and your future plans.

If necessary, you may add a page to complete this information.

Is there anything you would like the committee to know about you and / or your family? Please explain.

If necessary, you may add a page to complete this information.

☐ I certify that the information provided on this application (and all necessary paperwork to the ACCF) is complete, true, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted and/or repayment of any funding misappropriated to me as a result of later discovered impropriety or illegality.

☐ I agree to account for and return any amount of the special allocation for required books and required equipment remaining at the end of each school year.

☐ By checking this, I understand that I have given the Adams County Community Foundation permission to share my scholarship application with other committees so that I may earn scholarship(s) beyond the Foundation's selection committees and/ or (upon request) members of the donor's family.

The Foundation shall reserve the right to withdraw the scholarship if the recipient should conduct himself/herself in such a manner that would result in and reflect an unfavorable image upon the Adams County Community Foundation and any scholarship associated with the Foundation.

Signature of Student: The signature below affirms that all information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian: The signature below affirms that all information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Date

You may submit this application with necessary materials personally or by mail. It is the responsibility of the student to confirm the application was received by the ACCF within the required due date and time.

Student & Family Employment, etc. Information,
Adams County Community Foundation

102 N. Second Street / Decatur, IN 46733 / Ph: (260) 724-3939
www.AdamsCountyFoundation.org / Questions? accf@AdamsCountyFoundation.org

Please submit this completed form (this page may be neatly hand written) with each copy of the ACCF application.

Applicant's name:_____
Employment: _____ **part-time (approx. # of hrs./wk:** ☐ **)** ☐ **full-time**
Title:_____ **Email address:** _____

Mother's/guardian's name:_____ **Day Phone:**_____
Employment: _____ **part-time (approx. # of hrs./wk:** ☐ **)** ☐ **full-time**
Title:_____ **Email address:** _____

Father's/guardian's name: _____ **Day Phone:**_____
Employment: _____ **part-time (approx. # of hrs./wk:** ☐ **)** ☐ **full-time**
Title:_____ **Email address:** _____

Siblings: (living with you and those supported by your household - 50% or more of the time):

Relationship	**Name**	**Age**	**Year in school**	**Presently attending college?**
1.) _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ **yes** ☐ **no**
2.) _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ **yes** ☐ **no**
3.) _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ **yes** ☐ **no**
4.) _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ **yes** ☐ **no**
5.) _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ **yes** ☐ **no**

Family Matters: **Is there anything more you would like to share regarding your family's financial status?**
(i.e. lay-off, illness, parent(s) in college, grandparent/foster child lives with your family, etc.)
If you need additional space, please attach on a separate page.

The following information is necessary as some committees use this information to determine eligibility or selection.
Please check all that apply:

Family / College Information:

☐ I am the first person (to include my siblings and parents) in my family to attend college.

☐ I have older sibling(s) in my family who have college experience.
I have ☐ Older siblings who have college experience.
I have ☐ Older siblings who have college degree(s)

☐ My parents have college experience:
☐ My father has college experience and/or ☐ My father has a college degree.
☐ My mother has college experience and/or ☐ My mother has a college degree.

Public assistance received during the past 12 months (check all that apply):

☐ Temporary Assistance to Families ☐ Trustee's Assistance ☐ Food Stamps
☐ Supplemental Security Income (SSI) ☐ Free or Reduced Lunch ☐ Other: ☐

This completes the Adams County / Jay County Student Application for Music and Education majors

What to expect next? The award recipients will receive award notices by mail or email.