

**Snow Pond Community Music School
Financial Aid Application Form**

Section I.

Name of Applicant: _____ Date of Birth: ___/___/_____
Name of Parent/Guardian(s): _____
Email: _____ Telephone: _____
Address: _____

Section II. (* all applicable items are required)

1st Parent/Guardian Occupation: _____ *Gross Salary:\$ _____
2nd Parent/Guardian Occupation: _____ *Gross Salary:\$ _____
Additional Parent/Guardian Occupation: _____ *Gross Salary:\$ _____
Number of Dependent Children (including Applicant): _____ Ages: _____
Instrument(s) to be studied: _____ Instructor (if known): _____
How much of the tuition fee can the parents/guardians pay per semester ___ or year ___? * \$ _____
How much of the total tuition fee can the applicant contribute on his/her own? * \$ _____
Are there other sources that could contribute? (ex: relatives, sponsors, etc.) * \$ _____

Section III.

All Financial Aid awards include volunteer expectations. SPCMS relies upon volunteers to help make all of our programs run smoothly. Any and all members of the applicant's family may participate in volunteer hours. Volunteer expectations are as follows:

Award Amount:	Volunteer Expectation:
Up to \$250	8 hours
\$250 - \$500	16 hours
\$500 - \$700	24 hours
\$750 - \$1000	32 hours
\$1,000 or more	40 hours

Volunteer hours can be fulfilled in a number of ways. Please rank the following four categories in order of interest:

___ **Special Event Help:** distributing marketing materials, helping with publicity, soliciting business sponsors, helping create programs, ushering, taking tickets, stage crew, helping with receptions, providing food, providing auction items, cleaning up, playing in community concerts/busking events, etc.

___ **Facilities Help:** cleaning up before/after group classes, helping set up chairs and stands, grounds maintenance, etc.

___ **Instructor Help:** making photocopies, organizing teaching materials, organizing busking opportunities, providing sibling childcare for group classes or lessons, etc.

___ **Snow Pond Administrative Help:** collecting contact info from local businesses, assisting with newsletter creation, distributing flyers, publicity, marketing assistance, etc. Many of these tasks can be done from home!

Do you have special skills that you are willing to share? Please let us know!

Throughout the year, there will be several opportunities to sign up for tasks, or you may be contacted by a member of the Snow Pond team and asked to help with a specific task. Please approach each task with an open mind and assist

when you are able! We understand that time is sometimes tight within families. If your Financial Aid award volunteer hours seem daunting, please speak with us about your concerns. We can find ways for you to volunteer that fit with your schedule. Hours will be kept track of in a Volunteer Log. When you have completed a task, please email the SPCMS Director to log your hours. *PLEASE NOTE: ALL families enrolled in SPCMS have a Volunteer Expectation of 4 hours. Your Financial Aid award volunteer hours include these 4.

Section IV. PLEASE ATTACH:

1. A complete statement of the applicant's musical training and experience.
2. A statement explaining the reasons why the applicant should be considered for financial assistance.
3. A statement of any special family circumstances that merit consideration.
4. A copy of pages 1 & 2 of most recent 1040 form **ABSOLUTELY REQUIRED**, and if the tax return covers a period more than 18 months prior, please include copies of most recent wage statements/stubs and explanation of any changes.
5. For returning students: a statement of recommendation from your private or group class teacher. This may be sent directly to the Director, if preferable.

Mail this form and all attachments to: Director
Snow Pond Community Music School
8 Goldenrod Lane
Sidney, ME 04330