

FRIENDS OF BEDFORDSHIRE YOUTH MUSIC
GRANTING FINANCIAL AID FOR
MUSIC CENTRE ACTIVITIES

The Friends of Bedfordshire Youth Music exist to support young musicians involved in Bedfordshire Music activities. One element of that support is to provide financial aid to families whose children otherwise would not be able to attend one of the Music Centres organised by Bedfordshire Music.

Who can apply

Applications will be considered from any student wishing to attend any Music Centre organised by Bedfordshire Music.

How to apply

Application for financial aid for up to 50% of the cost should be made in writing on the official form to Bedfordshire Music who will forward the application to the Grants sub-committee of the Friends of Bedfordshire Youth Music.

When to apply

Applications are to be made by the end of the first week after a new Music Centre term (normally mid January, late April, or mid September) for consideration by the Grants sub-committee. Late applications may be considered subject to the availability of funds.

Application must be made each term as parental financial circumstances may change during a term. Evidence of financial need will be required with each application. This will allow for changes in personal circumstances.

Applications may be submitted prior to the start of the following term provided that your financial circumstances are not expected to change. In these cases payment will be made directly to Bedfordshire Music on your behalf if your application is successful. We will notify you of the outcome of your application in these circumstances before the start of the term.

Applications for support will be considered by the Friends of Bedfordshire Youth Music from:

Parent(s)/guardian(s) of students in full time education (prior to higher or further education) who are on a low income. Applications will require supporting evidence.

If you fall into this category and wish to apply for assistance, please complete and return the attached form.

Any additional 'sponsorship' for a Music Centre must also be declared. Remission will only be granted up to half of the full cost of the term, less sponsorship.

The decision of the Grants sub-committee will be final.

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Application for Assistance with Music Centre Fees

A SEPARATE FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH STUDENT.

To be completed by the Parent or Guardian.

1. Name of Participant (Mr/Miss) _____
2. Date of Birth _____
3. Address: _____

4. Telephone No. _____
5. Music Centre attended: _____
6. Term support requested for: Autumn / Spring / Summer 200_ (please circle as appropriate)
7. Please give evidence of household income, including details of any state benefits being received:

8. Please give details of all children in the family starting with the participant (tick columns as applicable)

Name	School/College attended	Receives Instrumental lessons at school	Belongs to a County Music group (state which)	Will be attending next course (yes/no)

9. Amount paid: £ _____
 Amount of support requested: £ _____

N.B. Please note that 50% of the cost is normally the maximum that the Friends of Bedfordshire Youth Music can support. Parents will be responsible for paying the total cost to the centre at the start of term, with a maximum of 50% of the cost then reimbursed directly to the parent from the Friends of Bedfordshire Youth Music unless your application has been made before the end of the previous term.

10. Have you applied for financial assistance from the Friends before? Yes/No

11. If the answer to question 10 is 'Yes'

➤ Have you applied for assistance with a Youth Music Activity? Yes/No

12. Have you received financial support for the Music Centre from any other source? Yes/No

If 'Yes' please state source and amount _____

13. Any other comment you wish to make in support of your application

I certify that the information detailed above is accurate to the best of my knowledge

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian

THIS FORM TO BE RETURNED AT THE LATEST BY THE SECOND SATURDAY OF THE MUSIC CENTRE TERM, TOGETHER WITH EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THE APPLICATION.

To be forwarded to: Bedfordshire Music
County Hall
Caldwell Street
Bedford
MK42 9AP

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	%	Amount in £	Signed	Date
FBYM Contribution				
Amount paid by Parent / Guardian				
Amount to be refunded to Parent / Guardian	N/a		N/a	