

# Christopher Bir Scholarship Fund Outline

## **Who Qualifies?**

Any P-CEP Student currently enrolled in a P-CEP Choir class.

Notice of the opportunity to apply for the application will be shared in several ways: Posting on classroom walls, class announcements, student choir handbook, and e-mails, affording all students the information needed.

## **Who may be a voice teacher?**

A list of approved vocal teachers, with location and days they are available, will be made available by the Choir Directors.

## **How many winners and for what amount?**

Two winners receiving \$500 dollars each which could cover approximately 6 months of vocal lessons.

Applications due by Friday, October 1 giving 10 days to the selection committee to choose the recipients. No late applications will be accepted.

Recipients announced by Monday, October 11.

## **How would the money be handled?**

Payments made from fund directly to teachers, perhaps monthly or per lesson depending on the vocal teacher preference. An e-mail or other communication method from the vocal teacher to Choir Directors will state lesson attendance or scheduling of scholarship-recipient's attendance. Hopefully, electronic payments may be an option from the Scholarship account.

Note: Scholarship will be cancelled should a student miss two scheduled classes without due cause. Due cause is at the vocal teachers discretion and in accordance with their standing cancellation policy.

## **Who is the selection committee?**

Choir Directors will narrow down the applicants to 3-5 students. Directors will meet with one "outside" party, as agreed upon by the Choir Directors, to help with the final decision.

## **How will applications be handled?**

Applications must be sealed in an envelope with no name on the outside. The envelope will then be placed in a designated drop box in the classroom.

At least two booster board members will open each application together, log the name and assign it a number. The number will be written on the application. Copies will be made and given to the selection committee without the student's name or other identifying information. After the selection is made by the committee, the booster board will provide the names.

# Christopher Bir Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship has been established in the name of Christopher Bir. Christopher passed away after a 4 month battle with colon cancer. He was 20 years old. A 2013 graduate of Plymouth High School, Christopher was active in the PCEP-Choirs and his love for choir and his choir friends could be seen on his face in every rehearsal and performance. Upon his passing, the Bir Family's desire was to continue Christopher's legacy and love for choir by establishing a scholarship. The Christopher Bir Vocal Lesson Scholarship is designed to give students who wish to further develop their vocal education and love for music the opportunity to study and grow, thereby positively impacting those around them for years to come. We would like to honor Christopher's memory by helping others in the Plymouth-Canton Choir gain a life changing experience through private vocal lessons.

## **Purpose:**

To provide the opportunity and financial assistance to current P-CEP Choir students to receive private voice lessons. A list of approved vocal teachers, with location and days they are available, will be made available by the Choir Directors.

## **Amount:**

A scholarship of \$500 each (non-renewable) will be awarded to two students per school year.

## **Criteria:**

- Current high school Student at P-CEP
- Currently enrolled in a choir class

## **Application Requirements:**

- Complete and submit Google form

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc9eXEOPJK8L1-kg2BL9ctpc08gY9sVnrAzcxsfstags6ZQ/viewform>

## **Deadline: Friday, October 1, 2021**

No late applications accepted.

Recipients will be notified on Monday, October 11, 2021

