



VOC Financial Assistance Application

While the Virtual Oboe Competition is working with partners to keep fees as low as possible, we require an entry fee to maintain minimal operational expenses. Financial assistance is available for a limited number of applicants. Please understand that submission of a complete application does not mean that you are guaranteed financial support. Candidates approved for financial assistance will be given the following application fee reductions:

- GEN Y application fee will be reduced from \$60 to \$20
- GEN Z application fee will be reduced from \$45 to \$15

**Please note that you will still be responsible for paying the reduced \$20 or \$15 fee, respectively.

Candidates who need fee reductions in order to enter the competition can complete the following application and submit all documentation **by July 10th, 2020** to VOCfinancialaid@gmail.com. Write "Financial Assistance Application" in the subject of your email.

- 1.) Name _____ 2.) Age _____
- 3.) Attach a scan of legal photo ID such as state-issued driver's license/ID card or passport, to verify age and identification.
- 4.) Attach a personal statement demonstrating musical goals and financial need. Minimum 450 words, maximum 650 words.
- 5.) 2 letters of recommendation from an oboe teacher and/or other music educator. You can attach these letters in your email submission, or have your teachers email your recommendation letters directly to VOCfinancialaid@gmail.com with your name in the subject line.

(Name of First Recommender)

(Name of Second Recommender)

- Without financial assistance, I am not able to enter the Virtual Oboe Competition.**
- I need financial assistance to purchase music for the Virtual Oboe Competition.**

I, _____, confirm that the information given in this form is true, complete and accurate.
(Applicant's Name)

Signature (if applicant is under 18, signature of parent/guardian): _____
Date: _____

Processing time can take 3-5 business days. Once we receive all documentation, including the letters of recommendation, you will receive an email from VOCfinancialaid@gmail.com notifying you whether the application is approved or declined. Please note that it is imperative to include all requested documentation. Eligibility for financial assistance is determined without regard to sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression or educational background. Please contact VOCfinancialaid@gmail.com with any questions.