



Thomas Cario Middle School Band Program

Scholarship Application (Fair Share Waiver)

The Cario Bands Scholarship Fund is available to assist families who face financial hardship with the payment of their Fair Share. For purposes of this program, financial assistance is offered to any band student who is on the Charleston County School District free and/or reduced lunch program or can demonstrate financial need. Assistance is granted in accordance with the free and/or reduced lunch program and at the discretion of the Band Booster Board. Students receiving a scholarship for a Fair Share waiver are required to maintain a passing grade of “C” or better in band class. All requests for Fair Share waivers are kept strictly confidential. This application process enables the Cario Band Boosters to remain in compliance with IRS guidelines for tax-exempt organizations in the awarding of scholarship assistance. Note that financial assistance may not be applied to other band expenses or band trips. Students benefiting from scholarship assistance are strongly encouraged to participate in fundraising.

To be considered for a scholarship, this application must be completed and submitted to the Band Director for consideration by the Band Booster Board. Students who do not qualify for the free or reduced lunch program must also submit a letter explaining the financial hardship. Scholarships are awarded for one school year and applications must be submitted annually to be considered.

Student: _____ Grade: _____ Date: _____

Parent / Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

CCSD School Meals Plan: Free _____ Reduced _____

The Cario Band Boosters have permission to verify our “free and reduced price school meals” eligibility. We understand that all fundraising proceeds from our efforts up to the amount of the Fair Share assessment will be credited directly to the Band Operating Account. This amount represents the cost of funding one student in the Band Program for one school year. Any additional proceeds raised will be credited to the student’s band account at the rate of no less than 65% and no more than 95%. The remainder will be credited to the Band Operating Account in accordance with the fundraising guideline set forth in the Band Handbook.

Student Signature

Parent / Guardian Signature

Approval:	Full Waiver _____ (\$225.00)	Partial Waiver _____ (\$168.75)	
	Band Director _____	Date _____	
	Band Boosters _____	Date _____	
	Verified By _____	Date _____	