

Ballinger Bearcat Band Booster Scholarship Information

2025-2026

It is the desire of the Bearcat Band Booster Club to help provide assistance to all graduating seniors as they begin their pursuit of higher education. We believe that any fourth year band student who plans to attend an institute of higher learning or the armed services is eligible for scholarship awards.

Two \$500 awards will be given to two applicants that exhibit outstanding leadership and participation qualities. \$1500 will be divided among the remaining applicants that have completed the required application information. All completed applications must be returned by the deadline stated on the application.

Scholarships will be sent directly to the university or college of choice upon receipt of the appropriate student information. This is a one-time scholarship. **The committee will hold the scholarship until the spring semester after graduation**, unless there are extenuating circumstances to be reviewed by the committee.

All students are eligible for a portion of scholarship money as long as an application has been completed and returned by the deadline stated on the form.

The application must be hand delivered to Mrs. Castleberry by Friday, March 27 to be accepted. No hand deliveries to Mrs. Wilson or Mr. Cleveland will be accepted.

This application can be obtained on-line at The Counselor's Calendar or from the scholarship folder in Mrs. Manley's room.

Awards will be announced during the Senior Awards day at Ballinger High School.

Ballinger Bearcat Band Booster Scholarship Application Check Sheet 2025-2026

Applications received without **ALL** required information will **NOT** be considered. Please use this check list to ensure all required information is included. **Please attach this check list to your application.**

Required application information

- Hand deliver to Mrs. Castleberry by Friday, March 27, 2026.

(NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!)

- Applicant GPA- **with Mrs. Castleberry or Ms. Dallas signature.**
- Applicant information and current contact information. College/University/Armed Services you plan to attend must be listed on the application.
- List all band awards and activities. (Worth 15 points)
- List all school awards and activities. (Worth 10 points)
- List all community awards and activities. (Worth 10 points)
- Two essays of at least 100 words each. (Worth 30 points)
- Applicant Signature and date.
- 3 Letters of recommendation. 1 teacher (cannot be your current band director, assistant band director or a current booster board member), 2 community members (NO family members)

Applications must be hand delivered to Mrs. Castleyberry NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2026 to be considered.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

NO HAND DELIVERIES TO MRS. WILSON OR MR. CLEVELAND WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Ballinger Bearcat Band Booster Scholarship Application

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Please complete the application below in its entirety and return it, together with any supporting documentation required at the end of the application. **All applications are due by the deadline listed. Letters of recommendation will be required, see the checklist for details.**

Please type or print

Name: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Instrument: _____

E-Mail

Address: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ Castleberry/Dallas

Signature _____

College(s)/University(s) you plan to attend:

Do you plan on entering the armed services? If so which one?

Proof of enrollment must be submitted before funds will be released. Please email them to ballingerbandboosters25@yahoo.com

Please provide as much information for each of the following sections as you feel is necessary.

You have worked hard during your 4 years in high school, please give the committee a good picture of your achievements. Additional pages of blank paper may be used.

Band Awards & activities (color guard, drum major, section leader, competitions, solos, ensembles, organizational activities, etc.) Worth 15 points.

Freshman Year:

Sophomore Year:

Junior Year:

Senior Year:

In no less than 100 words for each, please attach a typed and double-spaced response to the following. Worth 30 points TOTAL.

1. Describe the most memorable moment for you in the Ballinger Bearcat Band.
2. What would you tell an incoming freshman is the best part about the Ballinger Bearcat Band?

I certify that the information shown above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

X

Applicant's Signature

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