



The mission of the New York State Council of Administrators of Music Education is to provide a source of communication, development, and support for all leaders responsible for facilitating the music education of the students of New York State.

**New York State Council of Administrators of Music Education
Dr. Joel Ratner Memorial Scholarship
2020 Student Scholarship Application**

Application receipt deadline: Friday, June 19, 2020

This \$250 scholarship will be awarded to graduating seniors who intend to pursue music or related arts as a college major. Students applying for these scholarships must provide proof of registration to sophomore semester at college or university and indicate that attendance of said program commenced the first semester following high school graduation. Accepted areas of major study include:

Instrumental or Choral performance, Music Education, Music Theory, Music Therapy, Theater Arts (music), Music History, Recording, Music Industry or other music related programs deemed acceptable by the scholarship committee.

Dr. Joel Ratner

Dr. Joel Ratner was first and foremost a leading advocate for Arts Education. His belief that all students must be provided high quality, sequential arts education helped to shape the focus for many of his colleagues and influenced programs throughout New York State.

He was the Brentwood School District Coordinator of Music and Fine Arts. He received a bachelor's degree and a doctorate at Hofstra University, and a master's degree at Queens College. Dr. Ratner became the district Coordinator of Music and Fine Arts at Brentwood in 1996. Under his leadership, Brentwood won State marching band championships in 2010, 2007 and 2006. Before that, he was the Band Director of the Pep Band and a music teacher in Mineola schools.

Dr. Ratner served as President of the New York State Council of Administrators of Music Education in 2008-2009, and as President of the Suffolk County Music Educators Association in 2000-2001. Starting in 2011, he was a member of the New York State Regents Task Force for Teacher and Principal Effectiveness.

***Please type or print the following information:
(Additional attachments may be included; however, this application must be completed)***

School District: [Click here to enter text.](#)

NYSCAME Area: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Students' Name: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Home Address: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Phone: [Click here to enter text.](#)

College/University: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Major: [Click here to enter text.](#)

Instrument or Voice: [Click here to enter text.](#)

1. **Selected for and participated in an All-State or All-Eastern Ensemble?** Yes No

If yes, please notate the following:

Ensemble [Click here to enter text.](#) **Year:** [Click here to enter text.](#) **Inst./Voice:** [Click here to enter text.](#)

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2. **Selected for and participated in an Area All-State, All-County and/or other Regional or Honors Ensemble?**

Yes No

If yes, please notate the following:

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3. **Please list your participation in high school music organizations:**

[Click here to enter text.](#)

4. **Please list your participation in community organizations:**

[Click here to enter text.](#)

5. **Please list your participation in state contests (including NYSSMA ratings)**

[Click here to enter text.](#)

6. **Any additional information that your wish to share:**

[Click here to enter text.](#)

The following must be attached to your application:

1. A brief essay regarding your intention as a college student and your plans for the future.
2. Two letters of recommendation:
 - a. Recommendation by the school sponsored music teacher.
 - b. Recommendation by the Director of Music or district designee.
(The Music Administrator or district designee must be member of NYSCAME)
3. Letter of acceptance from college or university **verifying you are a music major.**

Completed applications must be received electronically via email no later than Friday, June 19, 2020.

Please send completed application to Area Representative as indicated below.

**Any Questions on Application Process, please contact NYSCAME Scholarship Chair Lori Orestano-James at:
Lorijames.nyscame@gmail.com**

NYSCAME Scholarship Time Line

1. **Completed applications due electronically to NYSCAME Area Representative by June 19, 2020.**

Area 1: Western NY/Rochester	Jay Smith	<u>jaysmith@cccsd.org</u>
Area 2: Central NY Area	No current Representative	
Area 3: Capital Region	No Current Representative	
Area 4: Hudson Valley	Lori Orestano-James	<u>lorijames.nyscame@gmail.com</u>
Area 5: Westchester	Heather Kranz.....	<u>hkranz0584@bcsdny.org</u>
Area 6: Nassau/Suffolk	Dr. John Gallagher	<u>john.gallagher@longwoodcsd.org</u>

2. **Area Representatives will finalize selection of 2020 Recipient and forward the name and entire application to NYSCAME Scholarship Chair at lorijames.nyscame@gmail.com no later than June 30, 2020.**
3. **The Area Presidents/Representatives will inform the Scholarship Recipients and/or the NYSCAME nominating member of their selection to receive the award.**
4. **The NYSCAME Scholarship Chair will contact the selected recipients no later than July 30, 2020 with details on how to claim the scholarship for use in their sophomore year.**