

From the Board

Richard Herrera, 2011-12 TBA Vice President

Do You Know Someone Who Can Use the Malcolm Helm Memorial Endowed Scholarship?

Greetings. I'm hopeful that your contest preparation is to your expectations.

The Texas Bandmasters Association is pleased to announce the 19th annual Malcolm Helm Memorial Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship is to be awarded to an outstanding undergraduate band member majoring in Music Education at a college or university in Texas. ***This year we are pleased to increase the scholarship from \$2000 to \$4000.*** The recipient will receive their award at the business meeting this summer at the convention.

It is with great pleasure as Vice President that I chair the process of this wonderful award to a future band director, but I need your assistance. I am asking all middle and high school band directors to pass along this information to students currently enrolled at a Texas college or university who meet the following criteria to apply for this award:

- Attended high school in Texas
- Is a wind or percussion instrumentalist who participated in her/his high school band
- Is majoring in Music Education
- Plans to teach band in Texas
- Has completed a minimum of 60 hours toward their degree
- Maintains a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale

Scholarship applications may be found online at www.texasbandmasters.org. Download, complete and "snail mail" to 9638 Limestone Pond, San Antonio, TX

78254 or email to rlhband@sbcglobal.net or use the convenient Uploader Application on the TBA website to submit the application. Applicants should include the following with their application:

- * Three letters of recommendation
- * A copy of college transcript
- * A resume
- * A short essay or personal statement that speaks to the following:
 - Your intention to apply for the scholarship
 - Educational, musical and extracurricular activities
 - Other pertinent information that may help determine your potential



Application deadline: May 1, 2012

For any questions or comments, please contact me at rlhband@sbcglobal.net.

All this information is also on the TBA website, so pass along the web address www.texasbandmasters.org to interested students.

The Malcolm Helm Memorial Endowed Scholarship is supported by donations from Texas band directors, administrators, TBA Sustaining Members, and Booster Clubs. Consider making a donation to the Scholarship Fund and assist TBA in providing scholarships to worthy music students in their quest to become teachers. You may use the donation form on the TBA website to make a tax deductible contribution.

I wish all of you a prosperous spring semester and hope to see you at the convention.