



DEER CREEK CHORALE (DCC)

BETTY BANGHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

INFORMATION LETTER

The Betty Banghart Scholarship Fund was established to support the development of musical talent in young people through membership in either the Deer Creek Chorale (DCC) or the Deer Creek Youth Choir (DCYC). There are three levels of awards for DCC recipients; each providing a different level of support.

<u>Award</u>	<u>Level of Support</u>	<u>Value</u> <u>(approximate)</u>
Gold	Covers the cost of membership and music	\$195
Silver	Covers the cost of membership	\$150
Bronze	Covers the cost of music	\$45

Requirements – Scholarships are available to youth that are formally enrolled as students in public, private, or home education. Post high school applicants must be enrolled either full or part-time in some formal post high school education program, e.g. college, vocational school, apprenticeship, etc. DCC applicants must be at least 15, but not more than 22 years of age on the date of the first rehearsal. Applicants must have an endorsement from a music teacher/choir director that can credibly describe their musicianship and capacity for participation in the chorale.

Expectations – Recipients of a Betty Banghart Scholarship must participate fully as a member of the choir for the full season; fall through spring, meeting or surpassing the DCC standards for attendance, participation, and performance. It is further expected that recipients will volunteer for service opportunities that will be announced through the season and will be exemplary ambassadors of their choir by sharing and promoting our vision and mission with family, friends, and others. Recipients at the Gold Level are expected to arrange specific service with the artistic director at the beginning of the season.

Procedure – Interested students that meet the requirements and are willing to meet the expectations as described, should complete the *DCC Betty Banghart Scholarship Application* available at www.deercreekchorale.org for download or by completing it on-line. Provide all of the requested information in addition to 1) a brief essay describing your reasons for wanting to be a member of DCC, and why you are applying for the scholarship, and 2) a letter from one of your references endorsing your musical capacity. The application, letter, and endorsement must be submitted or postmarked **no later than September 1** of the pertinent season, following the instructions on the application.

Applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee and announcements of the recipients will be made prior to the first scheduled rehearsal of the season.

Any questions may be directed to Wayne Perry, Assistant Music Director, at asstdirector@deercreekchorale.org.