Under the Duke University String School (DUSS) Dorothy Kitchen Scholarship Fund, families may apply for scholarship assistance. Scholarships are offered for 75%, 50%, or 25% of tuition costs and may be applied to Ensemble/Group Classes, Chamber Music, and/or Private Lessons.

Scholarship awards are based on availability of funds in the scholarship program and approval by the DUSS Director based on one or more of the following criteria:

1. The financial needs of the applicant (A copy of the most recent year’s 1040 tax return is required).
2. Parent involvement (as ensemble assistant, accompanist, concert coordinator, etc.)
3. Stephanie Swisher Ensemble Scholarship (100% of 2nd ensemble fee)
   Participation on a second instrument (viola, cello, bass) in an additional ensemble.
4. Merit and dedication to the program

Scholarship Assistance is open to all registered students who provide a complete and accurate application with supporting documentation, meet the criteria, and have no outstanding fees. *In your application, please indicate the criteria that best supports your application*

Applications and any supporting documents must be received no later than Wednesday, August 23, 2017 and may be mailed or emailed to:

Duke University String School  
Attention: Erica Shirts, Director  
Box 90667  
Durham, NC 27708-0667  
erica.shirts@duke.edu

Applicants will receive notification whether their scholarship request is granted or denied, usually within a week of the deadline. If a scholarship is awarded, the student will receive a Notice of Acceptance to sign. If a scholarship is not awarded, they will have an opportunity to submit a Notice of Appeal.

Any Notice of Acceptance must be signed by the applicant and returned to the Director within five (5) days, confirming:

1. Acceptance of the award and amount and  
2. The applicant’s commitment and obligation to pay the remaining balance due.  
   (Note: When scholarships are awarded, the amount awarded will be applied to the fees, with the applicant responsible for paying the balance.)

Continuation of scholarship assistance is dependent on attendance, normal progress, and expected behavior.
Full Name of Student: ____________________________________ Age: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): ____________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________

City: ____________________________ State: _____________ Zip Code: ________________

Phone: ___________________________ Email Address: _____________________________

Number of Years Participating in DUSS: ________________________________

Private Lesson Teacher: ___________________________ Instrument _____________________

Number of Children Participating in DUSS: _______ Number of Members in Household: ______

Are you a Kidznotes Applicant (check one)? ____Yes ____No

Please indicate which type of scholarship is requested:

Ensemble/Group Class ______________________________________________________

Chamber Music/Theory: ______________________________________________________

Private Lesson: ____________________________________________________________

Please attach any additional information you feel should be considered. (Note: If this application is based on financial need, you must include a copy of your most recent 1040 tax return for us to consider the application. Please do not include additional Schedule forms -- just the 1040 form.)

I would like to be considered for (please choose one):

Financial Need, Parent Involvement, Additional Ensemble:

The information that I have provided is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge; and I will notify the DUSS Director in writing of any significant changes to the information submitted in or with this application.

Parent or Guardian Signature: ________________________________________________

Date: ___________________________