Scholarships are awarded every year to music majors, music minors, and non-majors. An audition is required for any scholarship; live auditions are highly recommended for the full- and partial-tuition scholarships. Non-majors should be aware that scholarships carry an ensemble participation requirement, and that for many awards preference is given to music majors.

Unless noted, all scholarship awards require that the recipient have and maintain at least a 3.0 GPA.

**Departmental Scholarships**

Full- or partial-tuition scholarships: Incoming music majors who complete a live audition are eligible. Renewable for up to four years.

Excellence in Music Awards: A cash award (normally $1000), renewable for up to four years.

Housing Scholarships: cover the cost of on-campus housing at BSU, renewable for up to four years.

Board Scholarships: each year, two of these are awarded to students who will be participating in the Red Line Swingers (pep band). The scholarships provide an on-campus meal plan.

Additional cash awards

**Endowed Scholarships**

Please note: scholarship amounts may vary from one year to the next. Some awards may be divided between two or more students.

Baer Family Scholarship: $1000
   Awarded as one amount to a freshman or returning student.

Ernest and Victoria Baker Science and Music Scholarship: $200 to $300
   For junior or senior music major.
   Scholarship is awarded in music and science in alternate years.

Bemidji Area Retention Scholarship: $500
   For students living in the Bemidji area. Preference given to children of single parents or of Native American ancestry.
Fern Birnstihl Scholarship: $5500
For incoming freshmen music majors.

Paul Brandvik Choral Scholarship: $600
Based on vocal ability and potential contribution to the Bemidji Choir.

Ray Breen Scholarship: $2800
For music majors.

Meredith Brown Instrumental Scholarship: $1400
For instrumental music majors.

Cowhick Scholarship: $1800
For a music major who is a trumpet or horn player.

Ione DeKrey Scholarship: three awards of $1000 each
For music majors with high achievements as performing musicians. Preference will be given to a senior with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Awards are decided after the annual DeKrey Competition.

Mary E. Driessen Vocal Scholarship: $400
For a student majoring in vocal music.

Dyrhaug Scholarship: $300
For a junior or senior. Awarded every other year; alternates with psychology.

Drs. Dick and Eleanore Edwards Scholarship: $400
For a junior or senior music major from northern Minnesota. Awarded in music every other year; alternates with Science.

Fulton Gallagher Vocal Scholarship: $2200
For vocalists who are music majors.

Ronald Gearman Piano Scholarship: $900
For an incoming music major whose primary instrument is piano.

James and Marilyn Heltzer Music Scholarship: $1000
For a music major, with preference given to Bemidji High School graduates.

Sam and Peggy Johnson Scholarship: $2700
For music majors.

P. Bradley Logan Choral Scholarship: $500
For vocal majors or minors who have a minimum GPA of 2.5 and who can perform in Bemidji Choir in both fall and spring semesters. Preference will be given to incoming freshmen.
David Marchand/Edward Gangware Music Education Scholarship: $300
   For a junior or senior music education major who has shown excellence in student
   teaching or conducting.

Sidney Melby Memorial Scholarship: $700
   For a junior or senior music major.
   Awarded in music every other year; alternates with Science.

Dorothy Moore String Scholarship: $900
   For music majors who are string players and who will perform in the Bemidji
   Symphony Orchestra.

Music Department Endowment Fund: $500
   For incoming freshmen

Piano Endowment Scholarship: $2000
   For piano majors.

Joe Plummer Jazz Scholarship: $900
   For a student who is outstanding in jazz performance.

Roberta Sellon Scholarship: $500
   For incoming or current students who will perform in the Bemidji Symphony Orchestra.
   Preference given to string players. Awarded by orchestra conductor

Hypatia Spangler Scholarship: $2100
   For a sophomore, junior or senior music major who is a pianist. Preference given to
   students from the Bemidji area.

Tom Swanson Brass Scholarship: $1300
   For music majors who are outstanding brass performers.

Carl O. Thompson Memorial Scholarship: $2200
   Two awards are usually given each year to one outstanding instrumentalist and one
   outstanding vocalist. Scholarship recipients perform at the annual fall semester
   Thompson Concert.

John and Dana Yourd Scholarship: $700
   For a student who exhibits excellence in instrumental or vocal music and who is planning
   a career in K-12 education.