

2023 BROADWAY DALLAS HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL THEATRE AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION PACKET

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2023 BD HSMTA SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Broadway Dallas will be awarding scholarships to outstanding participating students and educators of the BD High School Musical Theatre Awards. The scholarship panel, comprised of BD staff, board members, and community leaders, thoroughly reviews all the applications and selects the recipients. The scholarship recipients are publicly announced the evening of the awards ceremony on Saturday, June 3, 2023.

Eligibility

- Applicant must be a current participant in the BD High School Musical Theatre Awards. The student may have participated in any aspect of their respective 2022/2023 musical (performer, designer, stage crew, etc.).
- Applicant must be a graduating senior.
- Applicants must be in good standing at their high school and with BD HSMTA program.

Application Requirements

Each of the scholarship categories has specific application requirements. Below you will find a breakdown of available scholarships and application requirements related to each of them.

Application Submissions:

Applications can be submitted via the BD Website under the Education and Community Partnerships Tab.

https://broadwaydallas.org/education-community/hsmta-home/

Scholarship Panel & Application Adjudication Information

BD HSMTA Scholarship Panel:

- BD's Scholarship Panel will determine the awardees for the Theatre Major, Theatre Ambassador, Backstage Excellence, and Outstanding Educator Scholarships.
- The Panel is comprised of BD representatives and DFW community members.
- Panelists will remain anonymous.
- Applicants may not request to meet with any panelist. Applicants will be disqualified if it is found
 they, or any representative of theirs, have attempted to contact or influence panelists in any
 way.

Application Adjudication:

- Scoring rubric for adjudication of applications remains internal to BD Staff and Scholarship Panelists. However, BD Staff will offer several key points to guide applicants.
- Current Key Points
 - Focus will not be on GPA or Class rank; however, these items may play a small role in application scoring.
 - The largest focus for application scoring will be placed on the essay questions.

Please note that all applications are due by 11:59pm on April 1, 2023.

2023 BD HSMTA Available Scholarships

Theatre Major Scholarship

(6 available @ \$2,500)

Theatre Ambassador Scholarship

(5 available @ \$2,500)

Backstage Excellence Award Scholarship

(5 available @ \$2,500)

Outstanding Educator Award Scholarship

(2 available @ \$2,500)

BD Spirt Award Scholarship

(2 available @ \$2,500)

Outstanding Lead Performer Award Scholarship

(2 available @ \$5,000)

TOTAL:

20 Scholarships | \$60,000

The number of scholarships and monetary amount for scholarships are subject to change with or without notice.

2023 BD HSMTA Theatre Major Scholarship

Broadway Dallas will award scholarships to outstanding student participants of the BD High School Musical Theatre Awards who plan on pursuing theatrical degrees after graduating from high school.

APPLICATION LINK: https://form.jotform.com/230034490822145

Application Requirements:

- Students are required to submit three (3) essays. Essay prompts are listed below.
- Students must upload certain academic files. These required files are listed below.

Other Information:

- All applications must be submitted by 11:59pm on April 1, 2023. No application will be accepted
 after this deadline.
- If awarded a BD scholarship, the scholarship will be sent directly to the student's chosen college/university.

Application Questions and Essays:

As part of the application, students will be asked the following:

- Please list any Awards, Honors, and Community Involvement.
- Please list all Extra-Curricular Activities.
- List school(s) to which you have been accepted to or are waiting for acceptance to and the intended degree at each school, respectively.
 - o Ex: University of Texas, BA Theatre Education

In addition to these questions, students will be required to submit three (3) essays (250-500 words):

- Describe the most memorable moment from participating in your school's musical production this year.
- What does theatre/musical theatre mean to you? How do you see theatre as a positive influence on society?
- What would winning this scholarship mean to you?

Required Files:

Students will be required to submit the following:

- Resume
- High School Transcript
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation

2023 BD HSMTA Theatre Ambassador Scholarship

Broadway Dallas will award scholarships to outstanding student participants of the BD High School Musical Theatre Awards who plan on pursuing college degrees in non-performing arts related fields.

Application Link: https://form.jotform.com/230034944269154

Application Requirements:

- Students are required to submit three (3) essays. Essay prompts are listed below.
- Students must upload certain academic files. These required files are listed below.

Other Information:

- All applications must be submitted by 11:59pm on April 1, 2023. No application will be accepted
 after this deadline.
- If awarded a BD scholarship, the scholarship will be sent directly to the student's chosen college/university.

Application Questions and Essays:

As part of the application, students will be asked to answer the following:

- What do you plan to study in college?
- Please list any Awards, Honors, and Community Involvement.
- Please list all Extra-Curricular Activities.
- List school(s) to which you have been accepted to or are waiting for acceptance.

In addition to these questions, students will be required to submit three (3) essays (250-500 words), which include:

- Describe your thoughts on how the skills learned in theatre can be transferred to other disciplines and careers.
- What does theatre mean to you?
- What would this scholarship mean to you?

Required Files:

Students will be required to submit the following:

- Resume
- High School Transcript
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation

2023 BD HSMTA Backstage Excellence Award

Scholarship Information:

Broadway Dallas will award scholarships to outstanding student participants of the BD High School Musical Theatre Awards who worked backstage during their musical this year.

Application Link: https://form.jotform.com/230034901149144

Application Requirements:

- Students are required to submit three (3) essays. Essay prompts are listed below.
- Students must upload certain academic files. These required files are listed below.

Other Information:

- All applications must be submitted by 11:59pm on April 1, 2023. No application will be accepted
 after this deadline.
- If awarded a BD scholarship, the scholarship will be sent directly to the student's chosen college/university.

Application Questions and Essays:

As part of the application, students will be asked to answer the following:

- What do you plan to study in college?
- Please list any Awards, Honors, and Community Involvement.
- Please list all Extra-Curricular Activities.
- List school(s) to which you have been accepted to or are waiting for acceptance.

In addition to these questions, students will be required to submit three (3) essays (250-500 words), which include:

- Do you plan to pursue your backstage theatre studies in college? Why or why not?
- What does theatre mean to you?
- What would this scholarship mean to you?

Required Files:

Students will be required to submit the following:

- Resume
- High School Transcript
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation

Scholarship Information:

The BD Outstanding Educator Award recognizes a high school theatre educator who demonstrates positive impact on the lives of students and embodies the highest standards in the profession.

Application Link: https://form.jotform.com/230035198924154

EDUCATORS MUST BE NOMINATED FOR THIS AWARD BY A STUDENT, PARENT, OR COMMUNITY MEMBER AND MAY NOT SELF-NOMINATE.

Application Requirements:

- A completed online submission form.
- Essay (250-500 words): Tell your teacher's story! Explain why your teacher has a compelling story and how they have gone above and beyond in the field of theatre education. For example, describe how your teacher has made a difference in your life or the lives of their students, school, or community; or how they are working to advance and champion theatre education.
- Two (2) letters of reference:
 - Letters may be submitted by any individual, including students, colleagues in the candidate's school, parents/booster club members, a former student, or a community member.

Other 2023 BD HSMTA Scholarships

BD Spirit Award Scholarships

- The BD HSMTA Spirit Award is a special award and a financial scholarship presented to either a student or school program for demonstrating the program's core values at the highest level.
- This award will be selected by BD Staff.

Outstanding Lead Performer Award Scholarships

- The two (2) Outstanding Lead Performer winners at the 12th Annual BD HSMTA will automatically receive a \$5,000 scholarship.
- These students are not required to be graduating seniors.

FAQs

- When are applications due?
 - o 11:59pm on April 1, 2023. No application will be accepted after this.
- What happens if there is a glitch in the online submission system on the day of the deadline?
 - Individuals are highly encouraged to submit their applications prior to the day of the deadline. If an issue does arise with the online submission system, BD staff will determine the proper course of action.
- How do we submit applications?
 - All applications must be submitted online. Links to the applications can be found on BD's website.
- Do students need to be graduating seniors to be eligible for a BD HSMTA scholarship?
 - Yes, students must be graduating seniors to receive a BD HSMTA scholarship, except for the Outstanding Lead Performer students.
- How many students can apply for the Theatre Major, Theatre Ambassador, and Backstage Excellence Scholarships?
 - o Unlimited.
- Can educators be nominated by more than one individual for the Outstanding Educator Award?
 - Yes. If this occurs, each nominator must fill out the application separately. A group of individuals cannot apply together. However, the letters of reference can be signed by a cohort of individuals.
- How long should the essays be?
 - All essays should be between 250-500 words. Essays over 500 words will not be accepted or reviewed by the Scholarship Panel.
- How are scholarships distributed?
 - Scholarships awarded to students will be sent directly to their chosen colleges/universities. Scholarships awarded to educators will be sent directly to their school or district to support their program.
- What happens if students choose to take a gap year after graduation?
 - Students must use their scholarships within two (2) years of the award. For example, if a student is awarded a scholarship in May 2023, they have until the Fall 2025 to use their scholarship. After this, their scholarship will be considered void and forfeited.
- When will individuals be notified if they have been selected to receive a scholarship?
 - Individuals should expect to be notified prior to the Awards Show.
- Can students receive more than one (1) scholarship?
 - O No, a student may only receive one (I) BD scholarship during a program year.

All information and requirements are subject to change at the discretion of BD staff with or without notice.