

First City

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& Arts Education
Evan Twitty Scholarship Guidelines

First City Music Festival, Inc. is dedicated to bringing music, arts, and culture to our community. This 501c3 is working to promote tourism in Knox County, IN and utilizes any excess funds to provide scholarship opportunities for area youth. This 100% volunteer ran organization believes in the power of music and art to bring people together and to help build a long-lasting quality of life within our community.

WE DREAM BIG. WE ACT LOCALLY. WE BELIEVE IN THE GOOD THINGS COMING.

For 2025, the First City Music & Arts Evan Twitty Scholarship award is \$500. FCMF will award one \$500 scholarship to a student who will be attending a higher education institution in the state of Indiana to study music and/or the arts. **NOTE: Scholarship funds will be awarded to students who are residents of Knox County, IN.** Scholarship winner also receives free weekend pass to First City Music Festival 2025 (9/25-9/27).

Criteria and eligibility (FCMF Scholarship applicants)

1. Applicant must a Knox County, IN resident.
2. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior in the year of the award.
3. All applicants must demonstrate their involvement in music and/or arts programs.
4. All applicants must demonstrate a desire to have a positive impact in the world.
5. All applicants must be attending a higher education institution in the state of Indiana.
6. All applicants must be enrolling in a music and/or arts program of higher education.
7. Applicants must be willing to attend a scholarship award recognition program at First City Music Festival (9/25-9/27, 1 day attendance, all three not necessary but welcomed) or at the Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous, Memorial Day weekend.

General Instructions

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is **May 7, 2025**. (no exceptions).
2. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., reference forms, evidence of community involvement, etc.). Incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. Applicants who have volunteered or a children of volunteers for First City Music Festival will receive priority consideration.
4. Applicants enrolling at Vincennes University will receive priority consideration.
5. Music and/or arts programs can include (but are not limited to) music, dance, theater, broadcasting, audio-engineering, fine arts, graphic arts, and digital media.
6. You will be notified by mail in May regarding the status of your application.
7. If you have any questions about the application, please e-mail firstcitymusicfestival.com.

Application Process:

Applicant must submit the following items:

1. Letter of application addressed to the Scholarship Committee. The letter should contain:
 - a. a brief explanation about yourself (please provide full name, date of birth, mailing address, and phone number)
 - b. your educational plans (college/university & its location, intended major, and anticipated start date)
 - c. your community involvement and involvement in extracurricular activities (including information about your current involvement in the arts)
 - d. your plans to change the world.
2. One (1) letter of recommendations from choice of high school teachers, administrators, counselors, employers, or individual with significant knowledge of applicant's experience and involvement.

Deadline for the application is **May 7, 2025**. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.

Please mail application to:
First City Music Festival
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
29 N First St. Suite B
Vincennes, IN 47591

OR

E-mail application to:
firstcitymusicfestival@gmail.com
Subject: ATTN Scholarship Committee