

UTICA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

2024 LOUIS GONDA SCHOLARSHIP AUDITIONS

1. Auditions will take place on Wednesday, February 14th, 2024 from 2:30 – 5:00pm at Utica High School. Students should enter at Door 11 and follow the posted signs. Auditions will be held on a first come, first served basis. There will be a warm up room available for everyone to use prior to your audition.
2. There will be a \$5.00 audition fee due at the time of your audition. This fee **MUST** be paid in **CASH ONLY**.
3. Each audition will be 3 minutes in length. Choose the best 3 minutes of your solo if your solo is longer than 3 minutes. Because of the short timeframe for each audition, do not expect any feedback from the adjudicator. This is not an indication of a poor audition.
4. Eligibility:
 - a. Instrumental Music students in Grade 9 – 11 are eligible; see section C below.
 - b. Students **MUST** continue playing their instrument in the UCS next school year.
 - c. Students must have received a 1st Division rating on their solo at the 2024 High School Solo & Ensemble Festival and must be enrolled in a current Instrumental Music class for all of the 2023-24 school year.
 - d. Previous Gonda scholarship winners are NOT eligible to audition for the Gonda scholarship.
5. **Piano solos are NOT eligible for the Gonda scholarship.**
6. You may perform with or without accompaniment. However, please keep in mind that your performance will be enhanced by the use of accompaniment.
7. Scholarships can be used for summer music camps, marching band camps, or private lessons.
8. The recipients of the scholarships will be notified the next school day by their directors.
9. **Parents, friends, family members, etc. are NOT allowed in the audition room.**

GONDA SCHOLARSHIP LETTER OF INTENTION

Student's name_____

School_____

Conditions

1. Scholarships can be used for summer music camps, marching band camps, or private lessons.
2. In accepting this scholarship money, it is hereby understood that this student **MUST** be enrolled in a full year band class in UCS for the 2024-25 school year.
3. Students who are not planning to continue in the Instrumental Music Program in UCS next year **are not eligible for this scholarship.**
4. Failure to comply with the above agreement will require the return of the scholarship money, in full, to the Gonda Scholarship Fund of the Utica Community Schools.

Student's signature

Grade_____

Parent/Guardian signature

Date_____

Address_____

City_____

Zip_____

Phone # _____