

## SCHOLARSHIP/DISTRICT COMPETITION RULES

1. Entrants and their teachers must follow all National rules, as outlined in the NFMC Bulletin.
2. Teachers who wish to enter students in the Scholarship or District competition must be a Federated member of Virtuoso Club, in good standing, for a minimum of 2 years.
3. Students who wish to enter the District Competition:
  - Must be entered by a teacher who has been a member of Virtuoso Club for a minimum of 2 years.
  - Must be in 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, or 12<sup>th</sup> grade.
  - May not have won the district competition in the year prior.
  - Additionally, **PIANO** students must be playing at the Difficult 1 level, or higher.
4. Students who wish to enter the Camp Scholarship Competition:
  - Must be entered by a teacher who has been a member of Virtuoso Club for a minimum of 2 years.
  - Must have participated in at least 1 previous Federation Festival.
  - Must indicate on the entry form what camp they plan to attend.
  - If awarded funds, must inform the Gold Cup chairperson if either they plan to attend a different camp than originally listed or they cannot attend any summer camp due to extenuating circumstances.
  - May not have been awarded a summer camp scholarship by Virtuoso Club in the year prior.
5. Students who wish to enter the College Scholarship Competition:
  - Must be entered by a teacher who has been a member of Virtuoso Club for a minimum of 2 years.
  - Must be in 12<sup>th</sup> grade, graduating in the year competing.
  - Must provide references who can verify that they have participated in a music community for a minimum of 3 years (i.e. Federation Festivals, school or extracurricular music ensembles, church music ministry, private lessons, etc.)
  - Must provide documentation of acceptance to a music school as a music MAJOR to receive funds. Music minors will not be awarded funds.
  - If awarded funds, must inform the Gold Cup chairperson if they change their major prior to the beginning of the school year for which the funds were awarded.