



13th Annual

## Scholarship Competition 2019

SousaU is a FREE program that offers High School musicians an opportunity to be part of a challenging concert band ensemble, the Compton Heights Concert Band of St. Louis, sponsors of this nationally unique program with the following outstanding benefits:

### Auditions:

It's Easier than ever!

1) Fill out the on-line Application by clicking on the link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScgNGvmCvGmuf4P XKUMS394VxmDVtU8a\\_Kpp5t2\\_dtmw40rKw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScgNGvmCvGmuf4P XKUMS394VxmDVtU8a_Kpp5t2_dtmw40rKw/viewform)

#### Online Audition:

Include two pieces that demonstrate intonation, rhythmic ability, musicality, and technique. Include also a chromatic scale. The prepared selections do not have to be very long or difficult. Play something that is prepared well.

2) Upload a recording to Google Drive or YouTube and send the link to [chband@sbcglobal.net](mailto:chband@sbcglobal.net) showcasing your talent.

Application Deadline: June 1, 2019

A band panel will review the MP3 recordings and applications, selecting and notifying the winners.

[www.chband.org](http://www.chband.org)

Questions: Call (314) 776-2227 or email [chband@sbcglobal.net](mailto:chband@sbcglobal.net)

### SousaU Works!

Scholarship members are outstanding musicians, many of whom have gone on to complete college, distinguishing themselves in music and conservatory programs, as well as in the community on graduation as teachers, and other service oriented professions. Here's what one parent has said about the SousaU program: *"I just wanted to thank you for letting both (our daughters) play with the Compton Heights Concert Band several years ago. They both told me it was a great learning experience and truly enjoyed it. They especially enjoyed sight reading a variety of music at rehearsals along with playing with the professionals in the Band. Also, I would like to thank you for letting them participate in the College Scholarship Program. This has helped us more than you will ever know! I hope that you continue your scholarship program so that other musical children can enjoy it. Thanks again."*

### Benefits of Acceptance:

- Full membership in the Compton Heights Band
- FREE Private Lessons all year while in High School. Compton Heights Band will pay for twenty four 30 minute lessons with a private instructor of your choosing.
- 4 Years of COLLEGE TUITION based on years in the Band (ranging from \$500-\$1250 per year for one (1) to four (4) years, respectively)
- PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES with the Compton Heights Band in its 39th Annual Sousa Festival (2019), a summer dual series, "Sunday Serenades" and "Musical Mondays", and the annual Holiday Pops Spectacular (this year marks the 20th Anniversary) featuring world class concert artists such as the Canadian Brass, Mariachi Los Camperos, Arturo Sandoval, Buckwheat Zydeco, Cameron Carpenter, Peter Nero, Hugh Smith, and many more!
- Opportunity to learn about and be part of the preservation of a unique American art form, the American Concert Band. John Philip Sousa developed it to its fullest with his world renowned pops concerts featuring "something for everyone". Be a part of this revered American tradition!
- Opportunities to play next to top St. Louis freelance professionals.

### What You Have To Do:

- Participate in the band for the full year (holiday concert and summer band series).
- Volunteer at a monthly bingo night for the band. This is a major source of income for the Band. Bingos are on Friday and Saturday nights.

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*Thanks for participating.*

SousaU is sponsored by  
the Compton Heights Concert Band.

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