

2008 Summer Enrichment Scholarship Program Application Deadline: Monday, March 24, 2008 3:00PM

Scholarship Information Letter

Mesa de la Comunidad Mountain View, with financial support by Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA) and Kiwanis Club of Mountain View, is pleased to announce our first Summer Enrichment Scholarship Program to benefit Crittenden Middle School (CMS) and Graham Middle School (GMS) students participating in the **Free and Reduced Lunch Program**. This scholarship program will provide funds to send approximately 20-24 Crittenden or Graham students to camps or classes of their choice at Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA), Peninsula Youth Theatre (PYT), or Mountain View Community Television (KMVT) in the summer of 2008.

CSMA, PYT, and KMVT offer dozens of summer enrichment courses and camps in such areas as visual arts, digital arts, computer technology, instrumental music, vocals, theatre, television production, and many more (see attached list of camps and classes offered).

Mesa de la Comunidad, in conjunction with Crittenden Middle School and Graham Middle School, will create a scholarship selection committee who will read through all application packets and choose scholarship recipients based on the **substance (emotion)** of the written response, not necessarily perfect grammar usage or punctuation. In addition to the written requirement, students who wish to address the committee in person may do so; however the written requirement must be returned with the application packet by the March 24th deadline. The exact date, time, and place of the committee meeting will be announced in advance. Any student may speak to the scholarship committee for up to five minutes. The committee will attempt to select an equal number of 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students from both CMS and GMS, but the exact numbers of students awarded scholarships from each school cannot be guaranteed.

Students who are awarded scholarships and their families will be contacted by phone in April. To insure that parents are accurately informed of all camp information, all students awarded scholarship will be required to attend an evening information meeting with a parent/guardian. At this meeting, representatives from CSMA, PYT, and KMVT will present information about their programs. After hearing the courses offered and dates and times available, the students and parents/guardians will select 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices for camps or classes. To make sure that all camp paperwork is completed, parents/guardians will also need to fill-out necessary forms, allowing the child to participate in the program. Information needed by the camps will be standard emergency contact forms and release of liability. Members of Mesa de la Comunidad will consider all students' requests, and contact the students and parents/guardians with their camp or class selection sometime in May. All camps and classes will take place during the summer of 2008.

Once the student has finished attending the camp or class, a member of Mesa de la Comunidad will contact the families by phone to hear about the students' experiences. Parents/guardians will be asked to give feedback on their child's experiences as well. Due to financial restrictions, the parent/guardian will need to make transportation arrangements to and from the camp or class.

In order to apply for this scholarship a Crittenden or Graham student must:

- 1. Currently participate in the Mountain View Whisman School District Free and Reduced Lunch Program and provide a copy of the letter (return stapled to the application packet).
- 2. Complete the Application Form.

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Have a 2nd trimester Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 or above on March 12, 2008 OR if your GPA is 2.9 or below, you may qualify by submitting a completed Teacher Recommendation Form (form is included in this packet). GPA's will be verified by a school administrator.
 ***Important: Please begin to think about which teacher you would ask to write you a recommendation.

Talk to that teacher well before the deadline. This will allow your teacher enough time to write you a proper recommendation letter, and return it to you.

4. Answer two writing requirements: one giving the reasons you wish to attend summer camp, and a second one about community service experiences you have had, or ideas you may have for community service in the future (writing requirement form is included in this packet).

Please staple all forms together and/or place in an envelope (see the provided checklist below). You may use this checklist to help ensure you have included all required paperwork:

- Have included a copy of Free and Reduced Lunch Program letter
- _____ Application Form is completed and signed by student AND parent/guardian
- **_____** Teacher Recommendation Form in sealed envelope (only if GPA is 2.9 or below)
- _____ Completed 2 of the 3 Writing Requirements
- _____ Have stapled all forms together (and put in envelope if you feel necessary)

All application packets must be turned in at the main office of CMS or GMS between Monday, March 10 and Monday, March 24, 2008 at 3:00PM. Please understand, no late applications will be accepted.

Keep this information letter. You do not need to include it in the Application Packet. It is for you to use while you are preparing your application.

If you have any additional questions please contact Oscar Garcia at (888) 657-6801.

Mesa de la Comunidad Mountain View is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, all volunteer organization. Our vision is to create a Mountain View community that is thriving, inclusive, and compassionate. The mission of Mesa de la Comunidad is to advocate for and increase participation of underrepresented groups in Mountain View's civic and business life.

Mesa de la Comunidad would like to express thanks to Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA) and Kiwanis Club of Mountain View for generously funding this scholarship program.

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2008 Mesa Summer Enrichment Scholarship Program Submission deadline for complete Application Packet: Monday, March 24, 2008, 3:00 PM at Crittenden or Graham Main Offices

Application Form

Student and parent/guardian contact information (please print)

Student name	_Grade	_School	
Parent/Guardian name		Phone	
Home address			
Parent/Guardian name		Phone	
Home address (if same as above, write "same")			

Student Grade Point Average (GPA): (check one)

 2^{nd} trimester GPA on March 12, 2008 is 3.0 or above.

2nd trimester GPA on March 12, 2008 is 2.9 or below. (Include Teacher Recommendation Form).

Student please read and sign below:

I understand that I am applying for the 2008 Mesa de la Comunidad Summer Enrichment Scholarship Program. If I am awarded a scholarship, I will attend an information meeting with my parent/guardian to be held in April at either Graham or Crittenden. At this meeting, I will be given camp and class information, and I will make my 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices from a variety of camps or classes offered at CSMA, PYT, and KMVT. I understand that I will be notified with my camp or class confirmation sometime during the month of May.

Student signature_____ Date

Parent/guardian please read and sign below:

_____ permission to apply for the 2008 Mesa I am giving my child/ward____ de la Comunidad Summer Enrichment Scholarship. I agree to allow a school administrator to verify my child's GPA. If my child/ward is awarded a scholarship I will attend the camp/class information meeting to be held in April at either Graham or Crittenden. I understand that we will receive information regarding camp or classes available. My child will make a 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice, being awarded one of those choices. At this meeting, I understand that I will need to complete additional forms that may be needed by CSMA, PYT, or KMVT.

Parent/guardian signature Date

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Writing Requirement STUDENT NAME_____

Please respond using **50-150 words for each question** to let the committee know your thoughts. **Please attach additional paper if needed.** If you feel that you cannot put all of your thoughts down on paper and you would like to speak to the selection committee, we welcome you to speak, but your written responses must be returned in your application packet as well.

1.(All applicants must answer) Please tell the committee members why you wish to receive a summer scholarship for enrichment summer camp or class. Please include information about your area of interest (art, music, theatre, and/or technology) and why this area is interesting to you.

2. (Read choices 2A and 2B, and respond to only **one** of these, 2A OR 2B, not both).

A. Please tell us about any experiences you have had performing community service. This could be volunteering in your neighborhood or church, helping your family at home, or volunteering at school.

B. If you have not yet had any community service experiences, please tell us about a possible situation or issue that you think could be improved in your neighborhood or school community and how you might like to see it improved. For example, you think there should be a stop sign at a certain intersection because you feel it is dangerous for children or the elderly. Tell us why you believe this, and any thoughts you have to fix the situation. Or, you would like to have more fun community events at your school or church. How might you get involved to make it happen?



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Teacher Recommendation Form

Student name Teacher name

Mesa de la Comunidad is proud to announce our 2008 Summer Enrichment Scholarship Program. This program will send approximately 20-24 Crittenden and Graham students to a summer camp or class of their choice at Community School of Music and Arts (CSMA), Peninsula Youth Theatre (PYT), or Mountain View Community Television (KMVT). Eligible students with a 2nd trimester GPA of 3.0 or above on March 12, 2008 (end of 2nd trimester) automatically qualify to apply for a scholarship. A student with a 2nd trimester GPA of 2.9 or below on March 12, 2008 may apply with a Teacher Recommendation (see *** below). All students will submit an application packet which includes a writing requirement as well.

Please return this form to the student in a sealed envelope addressed to "Mesa Scholarship Program" before the deadline of Monday, March 24, 2008, 3:00 PM. The student must have this form in his/her packet to be considered. No late applications will be considered.

***Please share your observations of this student in the areas of community involvement, art, music, theatre, and/or technology. Why do you feel a summer camp experience would benefit this student? Use back side or attach additional paper if necessary. If you have any questions or want more information, please contact Oscar Garcia at (888) 657-6801. You may also find details of the entire scholarship program in the Scholarship Information Letter of the Scholarship Application Packet (available in the school main office).

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CSMA CLASSES & CAMPS

Hip Hop & Bollywood Found Object Sculpture Mixed Media Painting Ceramics **Camp Fashionista** Wood Shop **Broadway Bound Ceramic Sculpture** Manga & Comic Books Murals & More Comic Book Character Design Drawing into Painting **Realistic Drawing** Drawing for Beginners Drawing Drawing & Painting Portraits & Figures Drawing into Printmaking Plein Air Drawing **Acrylic Painting** Plein Air Watercolor Flowers & Watercolor **Oil Painting** Collage **Graphic Illustration**

KMVT CAMPS

Claymation Studio Production **Flash Animation Photographic Genres** Real Video Make Computer Music with Reason Record Your Music with ProTools Laptop Orchestra Sound Sampler Intro to Guitar Jazz Improv **Compose Your Own Music** Voice Jazz Workshop Train for American Idol—Vocal Workshop Cello Workshop **Brass Workshop** String Ensemble Workshop School of Rock Workshop Piano & Voice Workshop Woodwind/Chamber Music Workshop Suzuki Recorder Workshop **Basic Photography** Batik & Tie Dye Interior Craft & Design **Mosaics**

PYT CAMPS

Summer Acting Camps at PYT provide outstanding theatrical learning experiences that develop leadership, emphasizing responsibility and fostering teamwork in a supportive, respectful environment. Details of the play chosen for the summer performance will be released in February.

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