



Music For Nikhil[®]

The Nikhil Badlani Foundation, Inc. was formed to honor the memory of Nikhil Badlani, an 11-year-old West Orange student tragically lost in an automobile accident. Nikhil had a gift and a passion for music, and one of The Nikhil Badlani Foundation's mission is to sponsor music lessons to deserving West Orange students. The Music for Nikhil[®] Program (the "Program") was launched in January 2012. We are now offering lessons to the students for academic year 2015-16.

Lessons are offered in band instruments and voice. Semi-private lessons will be provided to students who demonstrate talent, commitment and passion for music. The lessons will take place after school hours at the school. Days and times will be determined based on the availability of the instructors. There will be a culminating performance by the participants at the end of the school year.

Students must apply to be admitted to the Program. Only Students that can commit their participation in the Program for the entire academic year of 2015-16 should apply. Students that enroll in the Program for the Fall session should also commit to be in the Program for the Spring 2016 session. Seats in the Program are limited. Admission to the Program is at the sole discretion of The Nikhil Badlani Foundation based on the criteria listed below.

The selection process will give preference to students who meet as many of the following criteria as possible:

- The student has demonstrated an aptitude for music.
- The student should have played the instrument of choice for at least one year or demonstrate a basic level of proficiency in that instrument.
- The student desires to participate in the Program.
- The student is a responsible young person who will be committed to the Program for at least one year.
- The student has demonstrated a good work ethic in the classroom.
- The student must demonstrate the need for financial aid, to receive full scholarship.

In addition, **all new applicants** are required to write a one-paragraph essay describing why they should be considered and how would they benefit from the Program. Students that are returning to the Program do not need to write the essay. The Nikhil Badlani Foundation's review board may consult the school music faculty for feedback in helping determine acceptance to the Program. After review of the application, the student may also be required to audition. Students accepted into the Program are required to attend the orientation with a parent.

The form may be submitted by August 15, 2015, to the music teacher or mailed to 22 Florence Place, West Orange, NJ 07052. Parents/Guardians will be contacted if their student is accepted.

PROGRAM POLICIES

Absence Policy

As a member of the Program, you are expected to attend the lesson each week. Given that the lessons are conducted in a group, it is important that you attend, practice and keep up with your group. Attendance will be taken at every lesson. If you are unable to attend a particular lesson, please provide an oral or written notice to the Program latest by 9AM on the date of the lesson. If two consecutive lessons are missed, a parent/guardian will be contacted. If three consecutive lessons are missed with no explanation, you will be removed from the Program. Lessons missed by the teacher will be made up at the earliest possible date. However, there will be no make-ups or refunds for student absences.

Program Fee

The weekly hour-long lessons will be provided at no cost to need-based students and at a cost of \$17 – 25 per session plus any material costs, for other students. This cost is based on the number of students in a lesson, with a minimum of two or a maximum of three students. The Program Fees must be paid in full for the term, prior to the start of the first lesson. You may make the payment at the Meet & Greet session. Students may not start the program without full payment of fees. Please make checks payable to the Nikhil Badlani Foundation.

The Program Fees above do not include additional costs for supplies, books, instrumental repairs etc. that may be associated with lesson (herein “Additional Fees”). The student will be responsible for any Additional Fees.

Financial Assistance

The program offers financial assistance and strongly encourages those with financial need to apply. Students interested in applying for financial assistance should fill out the Financial Assistance Form (herein the “Form”). The Form can be obtained from the school music teacher or by emailing sangeeta@nikhilbadlanifoundation.org. Please return the Form in a sealed envelope to the school music teacher or mail to Nikhil Badlani Foundation at 22 Florence Place, West Orange, NJ 07052.

Refund Policy

In the event that lessons are cancelled and not rescheduled, a refund will be issued at the end of each term. A student is eligible for a full refund before the first lesson and a prorated tuition refund after the first lesson, in the event that they need to withdraw from the Program. No tuition refunds will be issued if the student decides to withdraw from the Program after the second lesson, except for medical reasons. If there is a medical reason, the student must provide a doctor’s note and will receive a prorated tuition refund.



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Music For Nikhil® Application Form
(Please Print Clearly)

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Age _____

Grade (entering Sept. 2015) _____ School (entering Sept. 2015) _____

Street _____ West Orange, NJ 07052

Phone (student) _____ Email (student) _____

Father's Name/Guardian _____ Phone _____

Address _____
(if different from student's)

Mothers Name/Guardian _____ Phone _____

Address _____
(if different from student's)

Email (Guardian) _____

Instrument _____ Day Available *(circle if known)*: M T W Th F

Indicate if any applies to you: Free Lunch Program Reduced Lunch Program

Student will: Be picked up Walk home Take the late bus

School related co-curricular activities _____

Extra-curricular activities _____

List any allergies or medical conditions here. If none, please write the word "none".



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Please complete the waiver. Application without a signed waiver will not be accepted.

THIS WAIVER IMPACTS YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS-PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY. Your signature below signifies you have read, understand the significance of and agreed to the WAIVER and each of its terms:

PARENT/GUARDIAN APPROVAL AND STUDENT WAIVER

This application is made with my/our full consent and approval. I/we certify that the above statements and attached documents are true. _____ (Student's name) has my (our) permission to participate in the Music for Nikhil® Program.

I (we), as parent(s) or guardian(s) of the minor, do hereby, for my (our) son/daughter, myself, my (our) heirs, executors and administrators, remise, release and forever discharge The Nikhil Badlani Foundation, and/or any other sponsors, organizers and volunteers and their assigns, successors and heirs, from any and all claims, demands, actions or causes of action on account of referred. I (we) hereby certify the minor is my (our) son/daughter and that his/her date of birth is _____, and I (we) do hereby certify that to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief said minor is in good health. In case of illness or accident, permission is granted for emergency treatment to be administered. It is further understood that the undersigned will assume full responsibility for any such action, including payment of associated costs. I (we) hereby advise that the above named minor has had the following allergies, medicine reactions, or unusual physical condition, which should be made known to a treating physician:

_____. Further, I grant permission to all of the foregoing to use any photographs, motion pictures, recordings, and any other record of my son/daughter for purposes that furthers the goals of The Nikhil Badlani Foundation.

Signature of parents(s)/guardian(s)

Date

Signature of applicant

Date

