

MUSIC FOUNDATION OF GREATER NAPLES

HAEGG FAMILY AWARD



To nurture the talents of gifted and motivated middle school students who do not have the financial means for private music lessons.

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of Greater Naples***
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Rules and Regulations 2025-26

The Haegg Family Award was established in memory of Margaret "Peg" Haegg (1915-2008) by her husband, Henry Haegg and her children Larry, David, and Jamey Halpin, Cathy Munsell and Molly Eovino.

The Haegg Family Award (\$3,000.00 per year) is for Collier County, Bonita Springs, and Estero students in grades 7-8 to study music for one year with a private teacher selected by the Music Foundation of Greater Naples. If a student is in 6th grade and in an upper-level group, they are eligible to apply as well. This award is both for instrumental and vocal students. The award may be renewed one year at a time for up to two additional years based on the Haegg Committee's assessment of the student's progress and the recommendation of his or her private teacher.

Only students who have not had private music lessons on a regular basis should apply.

Students must complete an application, to be signed by a parent and one of the school's music teachers (or suitable substitute if the student is home schooled). Students must also submit a music teacher's letter of recommendation, most recent grade report and a "Questionnaire Prompt" that is at the end of this application.

The Haegg Family Award is a "needs based" award measured by participation in the school "free or reduced lunch program" and if the family income is below \$75,000.00. Parents will need to bring the most recent tax return to the audition to confirm eligibility.

The Haegg Committee will select applications to be interviewed and to be given the opportunity to display their musical talent through an audition process. Our expectations are that up to five awards or more per year will be allotted. Selection of music teachers and scheduling of lessons will be determined by the Haegg Committee. If the student is awarded the scholarship, parents are responsible for transportation to lessons.

There will be two recitals during the year and the students are required to perform in both. Recitals are February 8 and June 7, 2026.

- **Application (online preferably), Recommendation Letter,** are due to the Haegg chairman by **October 4, 2025.** You **do not** have to send the check list.
- **Bring Grades, Questionnaire Prompt and Parents Tax return to the audition.**
- **Auditions** are on Saturday, **October 11, 2025 at Gulf Coast HS.** Audition time is TBA.
- **Winners of the Haegg Family Award will be notified by email no later than October 14, 2025.**

THE 2025-26 HAEGG FAMILY AWARD APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS CHECK LIST (This page does not have to be submitted with application)



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1. Completed Haegg Application _____
2. Music Teacher's Letter of Recommendation _____
3. Student Questionnaire Prompt(bring to audition) _____
4. Students most recent Quarter Grades (bring to audition) _____
5. Be prepared to perform a short selection, no more than three minutes in length.
No accompanist required.
6. Applicants must provide one original score and two evaluation copies of their music for the judges on the competition day. The evaluation copies will be destroyed by the Music Foundation. No copies will be made at the audition site.
7. Applicants must dress appropriately for the audition. Girls should wear knee length or longer dresses/skirts or dress pants/blouse. Boys should wear a shirt, tie (optional), dress pants and shoes. No jeans, athletic wear, or sandals. School concert music uniform is also acceptable.
8. The completed application form (preferably online) and the music teacher's recommendation letter are due **October 4, 2025**. Applicants will be disqualified if the application is incomplete or postmarked after the stated deadline.
9. There will be no registration fee for this award audition.
10. The Haegg Auditions will be held **Saturday, October 11, 2025, at Gulf Coast High School, Naples, FL 34119. Times TBA.**
All selected applicants will be notified by email of their specific audition time, no later than **Monday, October 6, 2025**. Please call (239) 450-4035 if you do not receive the notification. The winners will be notified by email no later than **October 14, 2025**.
The decision of the judges is final. Private lessons for the winners will start in October/November 2025.

Mail, email or submit on-line this application and music teacher's recommendation letter to:

Cathy Pflieger, Haegg Committee Chairman
Music Foundation of Greater Naples
3722 Pino Vista Way, Unit 2
Estero, FL 33928
239-450-4035

fleafam88@gmail.com or submit on-line at www.MusicFoundationNaples.org by October 4, 2025
(click on Lessons tab)

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NAME _____ GRADE _____
STUDENT EMAIL _____ STUDENT CELL PHONE _____
PARENT'S NAME _____ PHONE _____
PARENT'S ADDRESS _____
PARENT'S EMAIL _____

INSTRUMENT _____

SCHOOL MUSIC TEACHER'S NAME _____ EMAIL _____
SCHOOL _____

DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THE SCHOOL FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH PROGRAM? Yes _____ No _____

IS YOUR FAMILY INCOME BELOW \$75,000.00? Yes _____ No _____ (Required-Bring recent tax return to the audition)

SELECTION TO BE PERFORMED AT THE AUDITION _____

COMPOSER _____

1. This Award requires a "letter of recommendation" from your school music teacher explaining the student's need, aptitude, and motivation.
2. Student will complete the "Questionnaire Prompts" provided at the end of this application. Please bring completed "Questionnaire Prompts" to the audition.

I have read all the application material. I agree to abide by the rules/regulations and understand the purpose of the Haegg Family Music Award.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

MUSIC TEACHER'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

(Music Teacher signature required If not completing on-line)

PARENT'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

(Parent signature required If not completing on-line)

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Haegg “Questionnaire Prompts” (Bring to Audition)

Student Name _____

School _____

Grade _____

Primary Instrument _____

How many years have you been playing your instrument? _____

Instructions:

The Haegg Program would like to get to know more about your musical background, experiences, and goals. As part of the application process, please respond to the following prompts with a few sentences each. Be thoughtful and honest in your answers; there are no “right” or “wrong” responses. Your responses can be handwritten or typed. Please bring this “Questionnaire Prompt” to the audition on October 11, 2025.

1. What inspired you to begin your musical journey, and how did you choose your primary instrument.
2. Share one of your most meaningful musical memories or experiences. What made it special?
3. If awarded this scholarship for private lessons, how do you think it would impact your growth as a musician?