Raider Rhythm Scholarship Fund Scoring Rubric

Criteria	Weight	Max Points	Description
Dedication to the Band Program	20%	20 points	Evaluates the applicant's commitment to the LHS Band Program, leadership, and participation. **Evidence**: Application form, essay, band activities.
Academic Achievement	40%	40 points	Assesses the applicant's academic performance (e.g. GPA). Using unweighted GPA to the 10TH decimal. **Evidence**: Transcripts, application form.
Character & Leadership	20%	20 points	Examines character, teamwork, and leadership qualities within the band and school community. **Evidence**: Essay, letter of recommendation.
Service & Participation	5%	5 points	Evaluates the applicant's involvement in band-related volunteer work, mentoring, or community service. **Evidence**: Essay, application form, letter of rec.
Essay Quality	10%	10 points	Assesses the clarity, reflection, and depth of the essay. **Evidence**: Essay (400-500 words).
Letter of Recommendation	5%	5 points	Evaluates the quality of the letter, focusing on the applicant's character and dedication. **Evidence**: Letter of recommendation.

Total Points: 100+ due to unweighted GPA score

Scoring Guide:

- **Dedication to the Band Program** (20 points)
    - **20 points**: Outstanding leadership, high engagement, and demonstrated enthusiasm.
    - **19-14 points**: Good commitment with clear participation and contributions
    - **13-7 points**: Moderate participation or involvement.
    - **0-6 points**: Minimal participation or effort in the program.

- **Academic Achievement** (40 points)
    - Enter Non weighted GPA as point value to the 10th decimal. Example: GPA 3.85 = 38.5 points, 4.0 GPA= 40 points

- **Character & Leadership** (20 points)

    - **20 points**: Exemplary leadership, strong character, and positive influence on peers.
    - **15-19 points**: Demonstrates good leadership and character with room for growth.
    - **10-14 points**: Shows leadership potential or some positive contributions.
    - **0-9 points**: Limited leadership and character development.

- **Service & Participation** (5 points)
  - o **5 points**: Active, significant involvement in service or community activities related to the band.
  - o **3-4 points**: Good involvement but not at the highest level of impact.
  - o **2 points**: Some involvement, but lacks a strong commitment to service.
  - o **0-1 points**: Minimal or no involvement in extracurricular activities.

- **Essay Quality** (10 points)
  - o **10 points**: Excellent clarity, reflection, and a deep understanding of the band's impact on personal growth and aspirations.
  - o **7-9 points**: Good essay with some reflection and relevant points.
  - o **4-6 points**: Satisfactory essay, but lacks depth or focus.
  - o **0-3 points**: Weak essay with little reflection or clarity.

- **Letter of Recommendation** (5 points)
  - o **5 points**: Strong letter that clearly speaks to the applicant's dedication, character, and impact.
  - o **3-4 points**: Positive but somewhat general recommendation.
  - o **0-2 points**: Weak or non-specific letter of recommendation.

Final Score Calculation:

- **Dedication to the Band Program**: 20 points
- **Academic Achievement**: 40 points
- **Character & Leadership**: 20 points
- **Service & Participation**: 5 points
- **Essay Quality**: 10 points
- **Letter of Recommendation**: 5 points

Total possible score: **100+ due to unweighted GPA score**

Raider Rhythm Scholarship Fund Scoring Sheet

Criteria	Applicant Name	Applicant Name	Applicant Name	Applicant Name	Name
Dedication to the Band Program					
Academic Achievement					
Character & Leadership					
Service & Participation					
Essay Quality					
Letter of Recommendation					

Comments:_____

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I confirm that the scores and comments above represent my honest and independent evaluation of this scholarship application.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____