

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY | COLLEGE OF MUSIC

Application for Student Speaker
Spring and Summer Commencement, 2026
Application Deadline February 25, 2026

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Major: _____

Instrument/Voice: _____

Extra-curricular activities/volunteer work/community service:

Initiatives or Cooperation with fostering Diversity and Inclusion in the MSU Community:

Future goals upon graduation:

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As a graduate, what do you think you will most value about your experience in the college of music?

What qualities do you believe are desirable in a student speaker and how do you exemplify them?

Provide a theme and/or brief outline of your intended speech

Please attach a copy of your resume/vita.

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Music Education Experience

August 2022 - PRESENT

Corunna and Caro High School – *Marching Band Sectional Staff*

- I have taught flutes, clarinets, saxophones, and mellophones in week-long marching band camps.

June 2026

Athena Music Summit – *Muse*

- I will be working with female-identifying high and middle school music students in sessions on performance, leadership, and empowerment.

August 2026 - December 2026

Student Teaching

- I will be fulfilling my student teaching requirements at a Mid-Michigan school.

Performance Experience

August 2022 - Present

Saginaw Eddy Concert Band, Saginaw, MI – *Musician*

- I have been a full-time member of the clarinet section for four years, playing eight concerts throughout the summer and one in the winter.

August 2022 - Present

Michigan State University Ensembles – *Musician*

- I have been a member of the MSU Concert Band, Symphony Band, Wind Symphony, and Campus Choir. I also founded a clarinet quartet that has performed at woodwind convocations and many outreach recitals.

January 2019 - March 2022

Muth Community Players, Frankenmuth, MI – *Pit musician*

- Performed in the pit orchestra for productions of *Newsies*, *Peter Pan*, and *Matilda*.

Work Experience

June 2020 - November 2025

Frankenmuth Aerial Park, Frankenmuth, MI – *Course Operations Manager*

- Spent six seasons at a ropes course and zipline park where I worked as a monitor, Supervisor, Assistant Manager, and Operations Manager.
- Responsibilities included: interviews, hiring, training, scheduling, all day-to-day operations, and all customer interactions.

September 2023 - May 2026

College of Music Event Staff, East Lansing, MI - *Event Manager*

- I spent one year working in the box office before being promoted to Event Manager.
- Responsibilities included: staffing events and all front-of-house operations.

August 2025 - May 2026

Main Office Staff, East Lansing, MI - *Office Worker*

- I aid in day-to-day operations in the front office of the MSU College of Music. This involves processing recital and recording contracts, renting lockers and room keys, sorting room reservations, answering patron phone calls, drafting recital programs, and more.

Education

September 2018 - May 2022

Frankenmuth High School, Frankenmuth, MI - *High School Diploma*

August 2022 - present

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI - *Bachelor's Degree in Music Education*

- I am expected to graduate in the fall of 2026. Current GPA: 4.00.