**Colorado State Music Teachers Association**

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE ASSISTANCE GRANT**

**Purpose:**

To provide financial assistance to CSMTA members who have recently graduated from college to attend the national MTNA conference.

**Description:**

CSMTA will reimburse the MTNA National Conference registration fee + the Pedagogy Saturday registration fee (discounted amount of the FIRST registration deadline + fee for Pedagogy Saturday) to one awardee. If the awardee does not register for Pedagogy Saturday, only the early conference registration fee will be reimbursed. The 2024 MTNA National Conference will be in Atlanta, GA from March 16-20, 2024.

**Eligibility:**

Any CSMTA member who has graduated from college in the past two years; is currently teaching privately whether in their own studio or in a group studio/school; and is attending the national conference for the first time as a non-collegiate member. (Ex: attendee at the 2024 conference cannot have graduated earlier than spring 2023). Current college students or collegiate members are not eligible for this award.

**Application Materials:**

1) Name, address, email and phone number

2) Proof of graduation date (copy of diploma or unofficial transcript).

3) Description of current teaching activities.

4) Brief description of current or previous involvement in CSMTA or other state MTAs, including national and state conference attendance

5) 2-3 page statement outlining your specific goals and expectations that will be fulfilled by attending the national conference.

**Deadline:**

**January 15, 2024**

**Award Procedure:**

Reimbursement from CSMTA will be mailed after the national conference has ended, upon receipt of proof of the following:

1) Conference registration (electronic or printed receipt from MTNA)

2) Copy/photo of name badge from national conference

3) 4-5 page description of sessions and events attended and anticipated benefits to attendee. Attendee is also strongly encouraged to give a poster presentation about their experience at the 2024 CSMTA state conference at CSU-Pueblo in October.