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## **Applications Due April 5 for Starlight's 2023 Vincent Legacy Scholarship Program**



*The deadline for this year's application is Wednesday, April 5, 2023.*

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – For 17 years, Starlight has proudly awarded Vincent Legacy Scholarships to qualified and deserving middle school students throughout metropolitan Kansas City, and the theatre's Community Engagement department is excited to announce that applications are now open for 2023. Each \$2,500 Vincent Legacy Scholarship provides community students the opportunity to pursue professional training in the performing arts.

"The Vincent Legacy Scholarship program encourages young performers to follow their passion at a time in which students are beginning to dream about what they'd like to pursue in life," said Alex Jones, Starlight's Vice President of Community Engagement. "The Vincent Legacy Scholarship program provides professional training, support, and encouragement for their personal and artistic growth both on and off stage."

Longtime Starlight supporters Greg and Rebecca Reid established the Vincent Legacy Scholarship program in 2006 in honor of Greg's son. Since the program's inception, Starlight and its generous supporters have awarded more than 50 students Vincent Legacy Scholarships.

To qualify for a Vincent Legacy Scholarship, students in grades 6, 7 and 8 must display a talent for the performing arts, have a strong interest in community service, and audition for Starlight's scholarship committee on April 22. To assist with preparation for the audition, Starlight's Community Engagement department will hold an optional one-day workshop for applicants on April 16.

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The application is available at [kcstarlight.com](http://kcstarlight.com) and asks for a 300 word recommendation from the applicant's parent or guardian and a 300 word letter from the student describing their personal goals for the scholarship.

Applicants for Vincent Legacy Scholarships must apply by Wednesday, April 5, 2023, to be considered. Visit [kcstarlight.com](http://kcstarlight.com) for more information and to apply.

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### **About Starlight**

Opened as a theatre in 1950 and a nonprofit organization in 1951, Starlight is the largest and oldest performing arts institution in Kansas City and provides inspiring, one-of-a-kind experiences to its patrons. Starlight presents and produces Broadway musicals, concerts and Indoors shows in addition to offering extensive community engagement programming, including classes, scholarships and Starlight's Blue Star Awards, one of the largest high school musical theatre award programs in the nation.

Located on 16 acres in Swope Park, Starlight's historic, city-owned venue is the second-largest outdoor producing theatre in the country and includes rehearsal halls, a museum, club area for dining, concessions, gardens, fountains and a 10-story, climate-controlled stage. For more information, visit [kcstarlight.com](http://kcstarlight.com).

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