



GSSDA Dance Leader Scholarship Program

Purpose:

The GSSDA Dance Leader Scholarship Program aims to support and develop dance leaders in Georgia.

Description:

Each year, the Georgia State Square Dancers Association (GSSDA) may award a scholarship for aspiring Square Dance Leaders to attend a Caller School. "Square dancing" includes modern western square dancing, round dancing, contra, line, and English country dancing, per GSSDA bylaws.

A three-person Scholarship Committee, appointed by the GSSDA President and approved by the GSSDA Board, reviews applications and can recommend recipients based on financial need, experience, and application materials. Each award shall not exceed \$500. Applicants must submit their forms before the school begins; late applications are ineligible. Recipients must submit a brief summary within three months of attending, describing how the school contributed to their development as a Dance Leader.

To apply, candidates must:

1. Submit a recommendation from an accredited, practicing Dance Leader.
2. Provide a letter explaining their interest in becoming a dance leader and a commitment to serve for at least two years.
3. Meet with the GSSDA Scholarship Committee, either virtually or in person.
4. Agree to help with the GSSDA State Convention for the next two years.

Applications may be submitted via letter to the GSSDA President or by completing the official application form which is available on the GSSDA website.