

CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS STUDENT SCIENCE FAIR, INC.
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Due Date: April 14, 2023

INSTRUCTIONS: Check the appropriate box after completing each section. Only high school seniors who will graduate from a Chicago public high school this school year and who have participated or are now participating in the Chicago Public School STEM Exhibitions at the Regional Networks level or City STEM Exhibition may apply. **Students must intend to major in a STEM related field.**

- 1. Attach a recent black-and-white or color photo photograph of yourself in the space provided to the right.
- 2. Complete, have a parent/guardian sign, and return a **Consent Form and Release**. A copy of this form can be found on pages 97-99 of the *2021 STEM Exhibition Handbook*. or [here](#)
- 3. Print, type, or word process the information on this form. Illegible or incomplete applications will not receive consideration.
- 4. This application must be accompanied by an **official transcript**. Transcripts and accompanying data **must:**
 - a. Differentiate among regular, honors, and advanced placement courses.
 - b. Include first semester 12th-grade classes and grades.
 - c. Designate actual or approximate class rank and grade point average.
 - d. Show 11th-grade SAT or ACT Scores. NOTE: If transcript does not contain scores, students may attach a score report to application.
- 5. Include one letter of recommendation from one of your STEM teacher(s). The letter of recommendation should contain specific comments about your individual achievements, your unique abilities in the areas of STEM; and how likely you are to pursue a career in STEM.
- 6. Attach to this application a personal essay which addresses the following questions:
 - (1) How have STEM and STEM Fairs influenced your life?
 - (2) Where will STEM take you in the future?Observe the following guidelines:
 - a. The personal essay shall be between 200 and 400 words in length.
 - b. Letter size 8½" X 11" paper should be used. Essays must be typed.
 - c. Each page should be numbered and the student's last name should appear in the top left margin.
- 7. **ALL ITEMS ARE TO BE SENT TOGETHER IN ONE PACKAGE.**

**ATTACH A RECENT
BLACK-AND-WHITE
OR COLOR PHOTO
PHOTOGRAPH OF
YOURSELF HERE**

PERSONAL DATA

- 1. Name in Full: _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE
- 2. Home Address: _____ Chicago, IL _____
ZIP CODE
- 3. Home Telephone Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____
MONTH DAY YEAR
- 4. Cell Phone Number: _____
- 5. CPS Email Address: _____
- 6. Name of legal guardian(s): _____
- 7. Address: _____
CITY STATE COUNTRY

EDUCATION OF STUDENT

8. Name of high school: _____

Address of high school: _____ Chicago, IL 606 _____ GSR#: _____

9. When will you graduate from high school? _____
MONTH DAY YEAR

10. In which high school courses are you most interested?

NAME OF COURSE NAME OF COURSE NAME OF COURSE

11. In order of preference, list all colleges or universities to which you have applied or intend to apply for admission. Check whether your application has been accepted, rejected, or is pending.

- a. _____ accepted rejected pending
- b. _____ accepted rejected pending
- c. _____ accepted rejected pending
- d. _____ accepted rejected pending
- e. _____ accepted rejected pending

12. When do you plan to enter college? _____
MONTH YEAR

13. a. What will your probable major be? _____

b. For what occupation do you wish to prepare? _____

EXHIBITION OF STUDENT STEM RESEARCH (SCIENCE FAIR) PARTICIPATION BEYOND THE SCHOOL LEVEL

14. Complete the chart below for every year since 7th grade during which you have participated in science fair activities beyond the school level. Use the symbols below to designate your past science fair ratings and WP (will participate) if you will be attending the upcoming State Science Fair or International Science Fair.

- REGIONAL NETWORK SCIENCE FAIR:** O–Outstanding E–Excellent HM–Honorable Mention
CITY STUDENT SCIENCE FAIR: G - Gold S - Silver B - Bronze
STATE SCIENCE FAIR (IJAS): G - Gold S - Silver B - Bronze WP – Will Participate
INTERNATIONAL FAIR (ISEF): P–Participation GA1–Grand Award 1st Place GA2–Grand Award 2nd Place
 GA3–Grand Award 3rd Place WP – Will Participate

REGIONAL NETWORKS FAIR			CITY FAIR			STATE FAIR			ISEF FAIR	SPECIAL AWARDS
YEAR	GRADE	PROJECT	PROJECT	SYMPOSIUM	ESSAY	PROJECT	SYMPOSIUM	ESSAY		
2018	7									
2019	8									
2020	9									
2021	10									
2022	11									
2023	12									

15. Describe your most recent STEM Research project.

The number of monetary scholarships and grants depends upon the generosity of corporations and philanthropic organizations that contribute to Chicago Public Schools Student Science Fair, Inc. Available scholarships are subject to change. See the STEM Research Exhibition Website for updates and changes

Check any of the scholarships below for which you want to be considered. You must be accepted by the university in order to be awarded that scholarship.

- Cash Grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000**
- DePaul University**
One renewable \$8,000 tuition-waiver scholarship Requirements: ACT score of 22+ GPA of 3.0 or higher; Class rank in top 20%
- Illinois Tech** – One \$4,000 per year renewable tuition waiver scholarship. Requirement: Admission to IIT by April 1
- Loyola University Chicago** – One \$2,000 per year renewable tuition waiver Requirements: Admission to Loyola by April 1 ACT score 24+ or 30+ for the Honors Program Class rank in upper 10% Major in biology, chemistry, physics, pre-medicine, or mathematics
- University of Chicago** – One tuition waiver of \$2,000 per year renewable for 4 years Requirement: Accepted by the University by April 1
- University of Illinois at Chicago** – One 4-year, full tuition scholarship. Requirement: Admission to UIC Honors College by April 1. Call 312.413.2260 for details regarding acceptance into the Honors Program.
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign** – One \$2,000 per year renewable tuition waiver. Requirement: Admission to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign by April 1

Your application for scholarships will be considered with those of other students. A committee will evaluate the credentials you have submitted. DECISIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE FINAL. Scholarships cannot be converted from one type to another. Scholarships are not transferable.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

PARENT'S SIGNATURE

PRINT NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 13, 2022.

Please e-mail all documents and this application to:

Ms. Adele Wright
Chair, Scholarship Committee
at amjones8@cps.edu