

Private Prep “Learn to Thrive” Scholarship Program 2020-2021 Application

We believe that all students — no matter their financial status — deserve the opportunity to maximize their potential and achieve their educational goals. Studies show that students from low-income backgrounds who attend the “top 300” colleges are more likely to benefit from upward social mobility, with higher lifetime earnings and greater career opportunities. The Private Prep Scholarship Program places high-achieving students from low-income or underserved backgrounds with individual tutors and admissions coaches who will help them navigate the test prep and college application process and ultimately gain admission to best-fit colleges. Each scholarship program recipient will be supported by a caring, trustworthy team to help the student not just succeed, but thrive.

The Private Prep Scholarship Program Provides:

- An initial consultation with a director as well as ongoing support for any questions that arise throughout the process
- 4-6 months of weekly sessions with a live tutor online (or in-person, when available)
- Materials for independent work assignments in between sessions
- Diagnostic tests and analysis to determine whether a student should pursue the SAT or ACT
- Proctored practice tests and analysis of results
- Comprehensive college admissions support
- Value of services in excess of \$10,000

Ideal candidates meet the following criteria:

- Unweighted GPA of 3.5 or above in a rigorous course load within their school context (AP, Honors, IB) and completion of Algebra 2/Trigonometry prior to 11th grade
- Diagnostic SAT of 1100+ or ACT of 22+
- Free or reduced lunch or 90%+ scholarship at an independent school
- Demonstrated extracurricular interests/leadership or significant family responsibilities
- A strong desire to attend a four-year college or university
- Preference will be given to 1st generation college-bound students



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All applications must be received by Friday, May 17, 2020

The college admissions process is highly competitive and students who are awarded a Private Prep Scholarship Program will be required to invest a significant amount of time and energy. Candidates should be prepared to participate fully in all aspects of the scholarship program before submitting an application.

This scholarship program is awarded to students who demonstrate both financial need and a track record of academic excellence. Use the application to indicate your qualification for this scholarship program in both of these regards.

Private Prep will determine which parts of the scholarship program are being awarded to each recipient and all lessons will be hosted online (unless available in-person).

Submit this form along with any other supporting documents to scholarship@privateprep.com. You may also reach out to this email for any questions during this process.

We look forward to considering your application.

Personal Information

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Email Address: _____
Phone Number: _____

Demonstrated Financial Need:

- I qualify for free or reduced lunch
- I receive a 90+% private school scholarship

College History (please check one):

- Yes, I will be the first person in my family to attend a 4-year college
- No, I will not be the first person in my family to attend a 4-year college

Note: if you have a sibling who has attended college, you are still considered a first-generation college student, so if your family member who has attended college is a brother or sister, please specify.

Ethnicity: _____



Languages spoken (please check all that apply)

- English
- Spanish
- Mandarin
- French
- Arabic
- Italian
- Other: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Parents Highest Level of Education

- None
- Some grade/primary school
- Completed grade/primary school
- Some high school/secondary school
- Completed high school/secondary school
- GED
- Some trade school or community college
- Graduated from trade school or community college
- Bachelor's degree
- Master's degree
- Beyond

Student's High School Information

Name of current school: _____

Address of school: _____

School Contact Name/Title: _____

School Contact Email Address: _____

School Contact Phone Number/Extension: _____

Current grade level: __9th __10th __11th

Current math class: __ Alg2/Trig __ PreCalc __ Calc

Will this student have permission and access to a computer for tutoring during the school day?

*Please note, this is not a requirement

- Yes
- No



*****This space to be filled out by a principal, counselor, or school administrator.**

Name and relationship to student: _____

Please briefly indicate any measures by which applicant suffers financial hardship, including participation in a free or reduced-price lunch program or scholarship to their current school.

In comparison with other college preparatory students at your school, the applicant's course selection is:

- Most demanding
- Very demanding
- Demanding
- Average
- Less than demanding
- Prefer not to respond

PLEASE SUBMIT THE HIGH SCHOOL PROFILE ALONG WITH THIS STUDENT'S APPLICATION

Written Response

1) List and briefly describe all extracurricular activities you have participated in during the last 12 months, both inside and outside of school. This can include leadership positions, school clubs, sports, jobs, community service, volunteer activities, family commitments, etc.



2) Tutoring will be online (unless available in-person) and will take place during or after school hours. Sessions typically run 60-90 minutes long. Indicate ALL of your availability for weekly tutoring sessions from October through June.

Midweek Monday-Friday:

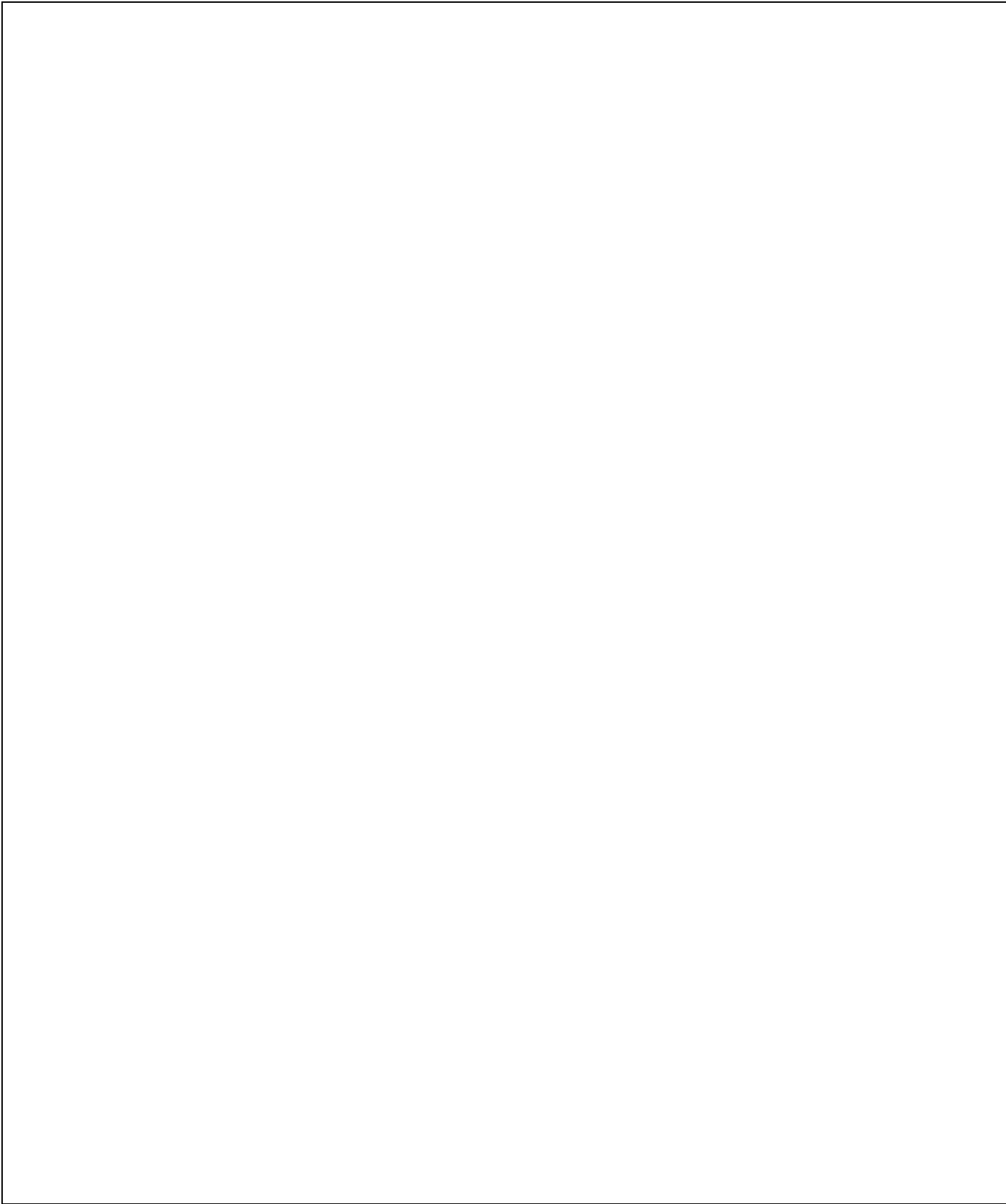
Weekend Saturday-Sunday:

Any Additional comments about scheduling/availability:

3) This scholarship program will demand a significant investment of time and effort. As such, we are seeking students who will take full advantage of this opportunity as a part of their journey to college. Please address the following below in a maximum of 650 words.

- Your goals — academic, career, and/or personal
- How this scholarship program can help you achieve these goals
- Why you feel you are a good fit for the scholarship program (personal qualities, background, experiences)







4) College application essays aren't just sources of stress — they also offer chances for self-reflection, and can even be fun. To that end, we've chosen a few of our favorite questions asked by real colleges on their applications. Please select two and respond to each in no more than 250 words.

1. What is your favorite word and why? (UVA)

2. We know you lead a busy life, full of activities, many of which are required of you. Tell us about something you do simply for the pleasure of it. (MIT)

3. What motivates you to learn? (Emory)

4. Tell us about the place, or places, you call home. These can be physical places where you have lived, or a community or group that is important to you. (Brown)

Question selected:



Question selected: _____

Please submit the following items along with the rest of your completed application:

- Current high school transcript showing classes, grades, and state test scores where applicable (including Regents exams)
- School profile (provided by school counselor)
- PSAT Scores (if applicable)
- Two letters of recommendations from teachers at your high school that explain why you are an excellent candidate for this scholarship program, limit one page per recommendation



****By signing below, the parent/guardian and student give Private Prep permission to use the name of the student in promotional materials in support of this scholarship program.**

Date: _____

Student Name (printed): _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (printed): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

School Contact Name (printed): _____

School Contact Signature: _____

Application Deadline: Friday, May 17, 2020

Please submit your final application and all supporting documents to scholarship@privateprep.com.

Finalists will be announced by Friday, June 14, 2020.

