Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in applying to Next Generation Scholars’ 2020 Summer Academy.

This Application has seven parts. Your application is NOT considered complete until you have submitted all six parts:

1. Contact information form
2. Current full transcript
3. Copy of the first two pages of your family’s most recent tax return (1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ for all adults who financially support the applicant)
4. Community Uplift Statement
5. Personal Statement
6. Optional Essay: Additional Information
7. Possible times for interview

After we have received your application materials, our Admissions Committee will review your file and determine whether we will invite you to a short interview and class visit.

The priority deadline to apply is March 19th.

If you have any questions about the application process, please feel free to email or call us.

Again, thank you for your interest in Next Generation Scholars. We look forward to hearing from you again.

Sincerely,

Shawn Cole-Woods
Director of Academics & Admissions
415-259-0900
shawn@nextgenerationscholars.org
1. **CONTACT INFORMATION**

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Full Name: ____________________________________________ Date of Birth: ___/___/______

Nickname: _______________ School: __________________________ Grade: _______ Gender: ______________

Ethnic Background: ____________________________________________________________________________________________
(e.g., Guatemalan, Chinese/Cambodian, etc.)

In the past year, have you qualified for free or reduced lunch at school? (Check “Yes” or “No”) [ ] YES or [ ] NO

Cell phone: (_______) ________—___________ Home phone # (_________) __________—________________

Student email _______________________________________________________________________________________

Home Address: _____________________________________________________________________________________________

City: _____________________________ ZIP code: _____________________________

Mailing Address: _____________________________ City: _____________________________
(if different from above) ZIP code: _____________________________

Student lives with: _____________________________________________________________________________________________

What language do you want materials sent home in? _______________________________________________________

How did you hear about NGS (Summer Academy and/or the Academic Year-Round Program)?

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**GUARDIAN 1**

Name: ____________________________________________ Relationship to student: ______________

Guardian 1 phone: (_______) ________—___________ Lives with student (circle one) YES NO

Guardian 1 email: _______________________________________________________________________________________

Occupation: _____________________________ Marital status: _____________________________

**GUARDIAN 2**

Name: ____________________________________________ Relationship to student: ______________

Guardian 2 phone: (_______) ________—___________ Lives with student (circle one) YES NO

Guardian 2 email: _______________________________________________________________________________________

Occupation: _____________________________ Marital status: _____________________________
2. **Transcript**

Attach a copy of your current full transcript. A full transcript should include **ALL OF YOUR GRADES** up to the most current quarter or semester **FROM EVERY YEAR YOU HAVE ATTENDED YOUR SCHOOL**. If you are attending the school for the first time, please use your full transcript from your previous school.

For example, a freshman in high school in their first semester would attach a transcript from middle school with grades from sixth grade through eighth grade. A sophomore who transferred would submit transcripts from both schools. A junior would include a transcript with all grades from freshman year through junior year.

3. **Financial Aid Application**

To apply for financial aid to our program, we request that you submit a copy of your most recent Income Tax Return. We require financial information forms **every year** so we can maintain current information.

The Academic Year Program tuition for Middle School is $3000. For 9th, 10th and 11th grade it is $3500, and for 12th grade it is $4500. Summer Academy Tuition is $2000 with the exception of rising seniors, for which it is $2500. 98% of our students receive financial aid to attend our program.

We have tried to anticipate questions you might have applying for financial aid, but please feel free to contact us if you have other concerns:

**Why does NGS need a copy of my family’s tax return?**

Next Generation Scholars operates on a sliding scale. The financial information allows us to determine if you are eligible for a full scholarship or reduced cost for the program.

**Will my information be confidential?**

Absolutely! Your information will only be viewed by the committee that determines financial aid eligibility for the program. Information on the income levels of the students is only reported for the group as a whole and is always anonymous.

**If my financial status has changed, what happens next?**

If you previously qualified for a full scholarship, but are no longer eligible, we will use a sliding scale to determine the cost for the program that is within your means. We will present different options available and allow you time to make a choice before deciding to enroll.

**If my family does not have a tax return, can I still apply for financial aid?**

Yes, you may submit pay stubs, a letter from an employer stating income, proof of free and reduced lunch, or proof of foster care, shelter residence or subsidized housing.
4. **PERSONAL STATEMENT**

What is your motivation for applying to college? You may write your response below or attach a separate sheet.

_____________________________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________
5. **Community Uplift Statement**

What would you improve in your community? Describe a problem that affects people around you and design a solution that *you*, as a student, could develop. What resources would you need to put this project into practice and what goals do you hope to achieve?
6. **Optional Essay: Additional Information**

Is there any part of your academic record for which you would like to provide additional information? (Example: “My Math grade suffered last semester after my family and I moved from LA. Switching schools was difficult but I am now on track in all my subjects.”)

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7. **Scheduling an Interview:**

In the space provided, please **provide 3 possible times** that you're available to have a one-on-one interview with the Director of Admissions. Once your application is received, you will be contacted to schedule the preferred time.

NGS’ hours of operation are Sun (12PM-8PM) and Mon-Thu (11AM-7PM)

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