Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in applying to Next Generation Scholars' 2019-2020 Academic Year Program.

**This Application has six 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

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 August 15.**

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.)

Cell phone: (_____) ________—_________ Home phone # (_____) ________—________________

Student email _______________________________________________________________________________________

Home Address: ______________________________________________________________________________________

City: ______________________________________________________ City: _________________________________

Mailing Address: ____________________________________________ City: _________________________________

(zip if different from above) ZIP code: __________________________

Student lives with: ___________________________________________________________________________________

What language do you want materials sent home in? _____________________________________________________

**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 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.

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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?

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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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