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**Educational Talent Search**

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**What is Educational Talent Search?** Talent Search is a free educational program funded by the US Department of Education. Our goal is that EVERY identified Talent Search student will graduate from high school and attend a 2 year or 4 year college or technical school to further their education.

**Who is Eligible?** Students in grades seven through twelve whose parents do not have a four year college degree are eligible for Talent Search. Students with academic potential and low family incomes are given priority.

**What Services are Provided?**

* Up-to-date college admissions information, including help with the application process
* Career exploration, career counseling, and study skills assistance
* Field trips to visit colleges, universities, and technical schools
* SAT and ACT information, study assistance and fee waivers (eligibility required)
* College application fee waivers (eligibility required)
* Help with the college financial aid process

**What is required of a Talent Search Student?** Once accepted into the program, students are required to attend meetings held during the school day and/or check in with their TS counselor(s) regularly.

Please fully complete the attached application, sign it, and return it to your school’s guidance office, the Talent Search counselor at your school, or the Talent Search office at DSLCC.

**We look forward to serving you!**

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**Junior Year Checklist**

* September - Sign up for PSAT and prepare for test at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)
* October – Take PSAT and begin preparing for SAT and/or ACT
* Anytime – Begin your college search; go on individual college websites and talk to your guidance counselor and Talent Search counselor
* January, February, March – Sign up for a spring SAT and/or ACT date
* March, April, May – Visit colleges; take the SAT
* May – Take AP exams (if you are in AP classes)



**Senior Year Checklist**

* September – Register for fall SAT and/or ACT tests
* October – request recommendations from teachers, write application essays, start college applications
* November – finish college applications
* January – attend Talent Search financial aid workshop with your parents
* October – Apply for financial aid by completing the FAFSA (see your TS counselor for help)
* April, May – Review financial aid packages with your parents and TS counselor
* May – Decide which college you will attend and notify the others; take AP exams
* May – Attend Talent Search college transition workshop
* May, June – request final transcripts be sent from your high school (and DSLCC if you took DE courses) to the college of your choice

**TRiO Talent Search Application   
 Please Print in Blue or Black ink**



Step 1

Please answer the following questions about yourself (i.e., about student)

1. What is your **name? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** First Name Middle Initial Last Name
2. What is your **mailing address? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** Apt.#

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 City State Zip

1. What is your **home phone number**?
2. What is your **cell phone number**?
3. What is your **parent’s cell phone number?**
4. What is your **parents’ work phone**

**number**?

1. What is your **email address**? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Step 2

Please answer the following questions about yourself (i.e., about the student).

a. What is the name of your **school**? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

b. What **grade** are you in? **th**

**c.** What is your **social security number**?

**Social Security # is REQUIRED! Application is kept in a secure file drawer**

d. What is your **birth date**?  
 Month Day Year

White

Black or African-American

America Indian or Alaska Native

f. What is your **ethnicity**?

Asian

Hispanic or Latino

Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

g. What is your **gender**?

Female

Male

Step 3

For Office Use ONLY  
Eligibility Code: 1 2 12 0  
Processed by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
 Database Entry   
 Student Acceptance Ltr.   
 Parent Ltr. 

Please answer the following questions about yourself (i.e., about the student)  
 a. Are you a U.S. Citizen?

b. What is your Permanent Resident Alien? Number?

If you (the student) are **not** a U.S. Citizen, please answer the following questions about yourself.

a. Are you a Permanent Resident?  Yes  No



NO

YES

Step 4

Please answer the following questions about your parents and about yourself (i. e., about the student).

a. Has your mother received/earned a 4-year college degree? YES NO

b. Has your father received/earned a 4-year college degree? YES NO

MOTHER & FATHER

FATHER

MOTHER

c. Which parent(s) do you regularly reside with and receive the most  
 support from? (please check only one box.)

Step 5

Please answer the following questions about yourself (the student).  
a. Are you married? YES NO  
b. Do you have children or other dependents (other than a spouse) who receive more than half of their support from you? YES NO  
c. Are you an orphan, in foster care, or a ward of the court? YES NO  
d. Are you an emancipated minor or do you have a court-appointed legal guardian? YES NO  
e. Are you less than 18 years of age and have no parent or guardian? YES NO  
 f. Are you homeless (i.e., you lack a fixed, regular & adequate nighttime residence) or are at risk of becoming homeless? YES NO

Step 6

Student must answer the following questions about yourself if you answered **YES** to any question in **STEP 5**.  
Your Parent(s) must answer the following questions about themselves if you answered **NO** to all questions in **STEP 5**.

a. What is the total **number of the persons** (including) you) **in your family**.

My family’s **taxable (not total) income** from the last calendar year was:

b. What was your **family’s *taxable*** (**not total**) **income** from the last calendar  
 Year? (**Please check only one box**. **Then, provide the requested income information**.)

**(This information is “required”! Application is kept in a secure file drawer).**

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**My family did not file a federal income tax return for the last calendar year. My family’s total income from the last calendar year was:**

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My family **had no taxable income** during the last calendar year.

Step 7

Please read the following statement and then sign and date below it. If you (the student) answered **NO** to all the questions in **STEP 5** your parent or legal guardian must also read the following statement and then sign and date below it.

By signing this application, I attest that all the information on this application is true. Moreover, I authorize the release of the student’s official academic records and grades to DSLCC Educational Talent Search; understanding that the information in these records will be used only to assess the student’s need for program services, discern the student’s education progress, evaluate the effectiveness of program activities, and fulfill program-reporting requirements.

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Student’s Signature Date

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Signature of Student’s Parent or Legal Guardian Date

**Supplemental Information Page**

**FAMILY INFORMATION**

*List all people living in your home: (****including yourself****)*

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Name** | **Age** | **Relationship to you** | **Place of employment  or grade in school** | **Completed 4-year degree?  (Y  N)** |
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  Does your family qualify to receive assistance from any of the following sources?

 Free lunch or  reduced lunch at school        Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC)      

 Social Security                                  Veteran’s Benefits

 Food Stamps                                     Unemployment Compensation

*  If you have any other unusual financial or family circumstances, please explain below:

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Determination & Assessment

Of Student **Need** for Project Services

Last Name: First Name:

School \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**What three careers Ex.** Physician Ex. Firefighter Ex. Politician

**Interest you the**

**most? 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. 3.**

**Do you plan to go to college?**



**I DON’T KNOW**

**NO**



**YES**

Note: “College” can mean a community college,

university or trade school.

**Which services do** I don’t know why I should go to college. I need information about benefits of going to college

**you need in order to** and earning a degree or certificat**e.**

**prepare for college?** I need information about how to get ready for college.

I need information about how I can pay college costs.

**(Check all that apply.)** I need help choosing middle-school and/or high-school courses that will get me ready for college

I need help choosing college courses.

I need help completing college-admission applications.

I need help completing college financial-aid applications.

I need help preparing for the SAT and/or ACT.

I need guidance on how to re-enter high school and earn a diploma or G.E. D.

I need counseling to help me better understand the career options available to me.

I need to visit college campuses.

My parents need workshops and counseling to help them better understand

the process of preparing for college.

I plan to complete the requirements for an Advanced Studies diploma.

**Applicant Signature and Date**

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11th

6th

12th

9th



 

8th





7th

10th

 

Does the applicant have potential for a program of post-secondary education or the ability to complete such a  Yes  No

program?

TS Counselor Signature and Date TS Director Signature and Date

HS Dropout

MS Dropout







Applicant’s Grade Level at Time of

Entry into Project:

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