

WHAT IS HFS CHICAGO SCHOLARS?



HFS Chicago Scholars helps high-achieving, underserved Chicago high school students flourish in and out of the classroom. We provide educational enrichment through our lifelong mentoring, college readiness and academic excellence programs along with financial assistance to attend top Chicago-area schools.

HFS Scholars receive:

- ▶ Financial assistance to attend Chicago private high schools ◀
- ▶ Academic support and one-to-one mentoring ◀
- ▶ College visits, selection, and admissions support ◀
- ▶ Four-year written commitment to performance expectations ◀

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

Eighth grade students who want to attend a private high school that requires tuition and who meet the required criteria listed below are encouraged to apply.

- Grade Point Average of 3.0 or Above (7th and 8th grades)
- Average to Above Average standardized test scores (7th grade)
- Strong attendance and behavior record (7th and 8th grades)
- Evidence of leadership potential
- Evidence of positive academic work ethic
- Demonstration of financial need
 - Income level of 55k and under
 - Large families with higher incomes are considered

HOW DOES A STUDENT APPLY?

1) Complete the online application

- **Available August 1, 2020**
- <https://bit.ly/HFS2025>

2) MAIL or UPLOAD supporting documents:

- Four handwritten essays
 - Questions available on website
- Income verification
- Final 7th grade report card
- Current 8th grade report card (at time of application)
- 7th grade standardized test scores (Math and Reading)
- [Recommendation Form](#) submitted by Math or English teacher or counselor

APPLICATION DEADLINE
November 15, 2020

www.hfschicagoscholars.com

**3.5 GPA
Average**

AMONG ALL HFS SCHOLARS

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

HFS Chicago Scholars helps students achieve academic excellence

- Monthly meetings with academic advisors
- Maintain a GPA above 3.0
- Learn study skills and resume building through workshops



HFS PARTNERS WITH

**38+ Private
High Schools**
IN THE CHICAGO-LAND
AREA

100%

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT RATE

COLLEGE READINESS

HFS Chicago Scholars prepares scholars for their college careers by:

- Attend annual College fairs and tours
- Participate in a free ACT Prep course Junior year
- Academic advisors guide scholars through the college application process
- Attend college financial aid work shops (i.e. FAFSA, scholarships, grants, etc.)

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MENTOR - STUDENT
RELATIONSHIP

LIFE LONG MENTORING

HFS Chicago Scholars provides students with mentors to help guide them through life's difficulties

- Mentors provide academic, career and life advice
- Mentors are all professionals within different fields

7,000+

COMPLETED SERVICE
HOURS

Scholars required to complete **40 hours** of service each year!

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**Learn more at our
HFS Open House**

October 20, 2020 @ 6pm

Sign up for details:

<https://bit.ly/hfsnight>