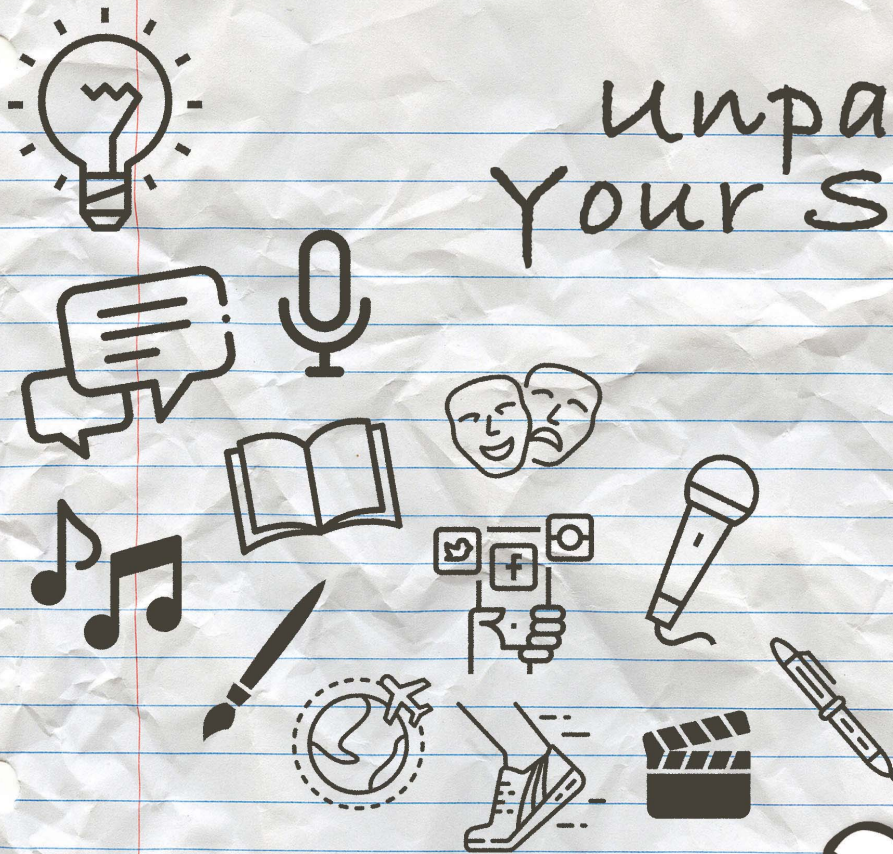


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2021 Martin W. Essex
School for the
Gifted and Talented™



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Official Application

Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™ at Ashland University

The Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™ at Ashland University is TRANSITIONING to a new home, moving from Otterbein University to Ashland University.

The design of the school is also TRANSFORMING, taking the best from the past Essex Schools and the past Governor's Summer Institutes.

**Each morning, a keynote will set the stage for leadership experiences through the lens of change: connected to identity development, leading through with the head and the heart, leadership in literature, leadership in mathematics, and leadership styles. The afternoon will be devoted to daily, in-depth small-group instruction in a topic of passion by an expert in the field. This mentorship will be carried throughout the afternoons of the 5 days of Essex. Dates for 2021.
School: June 20-26, 2021**

Deadline for Application: _____ March 15 _____, 2021

Cost for online week: \$150.00 (financial assistance available)

If you will be a sophomore, junior, or senior for the 2021-2022 school year, we want you to apply!!!!

Dwight Schar College of Education

In collaboration with

- The College of Arts & Sciences
- Richard E. & Sandra J. Dauch College of Business & Economics
 - Dwight Schar College of Nursing & Health Sciences
 - The Graduate School
 - The Founders School of Continuing Education
 - The College of Online and Adult Studies
 - Theological Seminary

Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™ at Ashland University

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The purpose of the Essex School is to provide enrichment experiences for rising eleventh and twelfth grade students who are identified as gifted and talented in Ohio
2. The School will operate during June 20-26, 2021 on a virtual platform
3. Those registered will participate in summer enrichment experience that includes activities such as seminars, workshops and extended projects
4. The School will explore academic and/or artistic pursuits at a level not always possible in the typical high school classroom. The topics addressed by the seminars and workshops will reflect the interests of the students, and will have an eye especially on salient contemporary issues.
5. College credit will be available for those who wish to earn one credit hour.; all students will receive a certificate of participation at the conclusion of the School.
6. The cost of the Essex School is \$150.00 This cost can be assumed by family, district, and/or community of applicant. Financial assistance *may* be available for those who qualify. A \$25 nonrefundable deposit is due at the time the registration packet is submitted (checks payable to Ashland University) and the final payment will be due April 15.

All completed registration packets should be forwarded to:

Jennifer Groman - Ashland University essex@ashland.edu

**Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™
at Ashland University**

Student Information Form

Student Name	
Home Address – (include city and zip)	
Phone (include area code)	
E-Mail Address	
Date of Birth	

Check Gender Box: female____ male____ other ____

Ethnic Background:

___ Hispanics of any race

___ American Indian or Alaska Native

___ Asian

___ Black or African American

___ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

___ White

___ Two or More Races

High School of Attendance	
Current Grade	
School District	
Names of Parent/Guardian	

Where did you hear about Essex at Ashland University?

**Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™
at Ashland University**

Parent/Guardian Permission Form

To be completed by Parent/Guardian of student applicant:

I, the parent/guardian of _____

Grant permission for him/her to participate in the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™ at Ashland University. If my son/daughter is registered, I understand my obligation to notify the school's administrators immediately should he/she not be able to attend.

I acknowledge the following conditions will apply:

- 1. The school will be virtual.**
- 2. All participants will abide by the rules and regulations set forth by the School; in particular, online rules of engagement.**
- 3. Infractions of the rules and regulations set forth by the School will be cause for immediate dismissal from the Program.**

I understand that this form must be completed, signed, and returned to the School Co Directors as part of the School Registration Packet submitted by the participant. I recognize that submission of a fragmentary registration packet will preclude a student being registered for the Essex School. In signing below, I verify my understanding of the above explained conditions.

Name of Parent/Guardian A (please print)	Date (xx/xx/xxxx)
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Signature of Parent/GuardianA

Name of Parent/Guardian B (optional)
(please print)

Date (xx/xx/xxxx)

Signature of Parent/GuardianA B

**Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™
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STUDENT ELIGIBILITY FORM

Instructions to Students

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This form must be completed and signed by a gifted education coordinator, gifted education teacher, guidance counselor, principal, or psychologist. Submit the completed and signed form with your registration packet.

Instructions to Educators

To be eligible to participate in the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™ at Ashland University, students must be identified as gifted in one or more areas:.

Student's Name		Student's Current Grade	
School District	School Building	County	
Area of Gifted Identification (check all that apply)			

Superior Cognitive _____	Speific Academic	Creative Thinking _____	Visual/Performing Arts
	Math _____		Music _____
	Science _____		Art _____
	Reading/writing _____		Dance _____
	Social Studies _____		Drama _____

“I verify that the student named above meets the criteria for gifted identification in the indicated areas,”

School Official’s Name (print) _____

School Official’s Signature _____

School Official’s Position _____

School Official’s E mail Address _____

School Official’s Phone Number:_____

at Ashland University

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (OPTIONAL)

Parent(s) and Guardians(s):

Limited financial assistance may be available to students who meet Federal guidelines for Free and Reduced Price School Meals. If your child qualifies for the Free and Reduced Lunch Price School Program at his/her school, he/she may receive either a full or a partial scholarship. This information will need to be verified by the school official. In order for the School Official to verify qualification for the Free and Reduced Price School Meals, your permission is required. Please read the statement below and sign and date.

"My child qualifies for the Free and Reduced School Meal Program at his/her school and I give my permission for the School Official to my child's status for the Free and Reduced School Meal Program with the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™ at Ashland University program directors. I understand that this information will only be used for purposes related to financial assistance to participate in the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™ at Ashland University.

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ **date:** _____

***** RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR VERIFICATION THAT STUDENT QUALIFIES FOR
FREE/REDUCED MEAL PROGRAM *****

NOTE: See Last Page for Suggested Additional Financial Assistance Opportunities.

FOR COMPLETION BY SCHOOL OFFICIAL

I understand that limited financial assistance may be available for those students who qualify for the Free and Reduced Price Meal Program. If the parent/guardian of the applicant above has

given permission for release of this information by the School Official, please read statement below:

“I certify that the student named above does qualify for the Free and Reduced Price Meal Program”

This student qualifies for ___ Free ___ Reduced Price ___ Does not Qualify

School Official's Signature: _____

School Official's Telephone Number: _____

School Official's Position: _____

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Student Gift and Passion Share

What is one area of your giftedness and passion that you would most like to share with the Essex team as we consider your application?

Use your imagination, your creativity, and any medium you wish to tell us about one area of giftedness and passion (academic, creative, artistic, leadership, talent - it does not need to be formally identified) and how you bring it forth into the world, now and in the future.

It can be a piece of writing, or it does not have to be.

It can be a series of photographs, a set of sketches, a video or audio tape, an original piece of music, a game you designed, a dance you choreographed, a comedy skit you delivered...

It is up to you.

The topic of my Gift and Passion Share is:

**____ I am submitting my Gift and Passion Share
with this application packet.**

**____ I will submit my Gift and Passion Share separately
(must be submitted by May 1, 2021)**

Dr. Jennifer Groman – essex@ashland.edu

FOR ALL STUDENTS

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*****Additional ideas for securing funds to attend the
Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™
at Ashland University:**

Check with your school/district in case they have funds reserved to sponsor attendance at summer programs.

**Also check with local organizations such as
Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions and Optimists.**

Ohio Association for Gifted Children scholarships

<http://www.oagc.com/scholarship.asp>

http://www.oagc.com/files/Frequently%20Asked%20Questions_OAGC%20Scholarships_2020-21.revised.July.2020.pdf

FOR CENTRAL OHIO STUDENT APPLICANTS

*****This is the STS Scholarship Application Information!**

The scholarship application season for summer 2020 has closed. Please return January, 2021.

**<http://www.supportfortalentedstudents.org/>
Checklist for What to Return to Apply for**

Essex at Ashland University 2021

___ Application with section information completed:

___ Student Information

___ Parent/Guardian Information and Permission

___ Student Eligibility : completed and signed by a gifted education coordinator, gifted education teacher, guidance counselor, principal, or psychologist

___ Financial Assistance (optional)

___ Student Gift and Passion Share Topic (you may submit with your application. If you need more time, you must submit by May 1, 2021.)

Send to:

Dr. Jennifer Groman

Ashland University essex@ashland.edu