



COLLEGE PREP SCHOLARS PROGRAM

FOR HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS

A pathway to top colleges for outstanding low-income high school juniors



QUESTBRIDGE PATH TO COLLEGE



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National College Match



COLLEGE STUDENTS

QuestBridge Scholars Network

THE NATIONAL COLLEGE MATCH

The National College Match connects high-achieving, low-income seniors with admission and full four-year scholarships to our college partners.

THE QUESTBRIDGE SCHOLARS NETWORK

Students who become Finalists through the National College Match and enroll at a college partner become QuestBridge Scholars. The QuestBridge Scholars Network offers these students a supportive community and access to growth, service, and leadership opportunities.

QuestBridge is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 1994. Our mission is to increase the number of outstanding low-income students who attend leading colleges and to support them to achieve success in college and beyond.

WE KNOW the vast majority of very high-achieving, low-income students do not apply to selective colleges or universities.

WE BELIEVE the right information can change the way outstanding low-income students see their futures.

WE PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES to high-achieving, low-income students to help them understand that an education at a top college is possible.

WE'VE HELPED THOUSANDS of students gain admission with scholarships or excellent financial aid.

QUESTBRIDGE COLLEGE PARTNERS

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| Amherst College | Pomona College |
| Bowdoin College | Princeton University |
| Brown University | Rice University |
| California Institute of Technology | Scripps College |
| Carleton College | Stanford University |
| Claremont McKenna College | Swarthmore College |
| Colby College | Tufts University |
| Colorado College | University of Chicago |
| Columbia University | University of Notre Dame |
| Dartmouth College | University of Pennsylvania |
| Davidson College | University of Southern California |
| Duke University | University of Virginia |
| Emory University | Vanderbilt University |
| Grinnell College | Vassar College |
| Hamilton College | Washington and Lee University |
| Haverford College | Washington University in St. Louis |
| Macalester College | Wellesley College |
| Massachusetts Institute of Technology | Wesleyan University |
| Northwestern University | Williams College |
| Oberlin College | Yale University |

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Want an advantage in the admissions process to top colleges and universities?

THE COLLEGE PREP SCHOLARS PROGRAM WAS DESIGNED TO GIVE YOU JUST THAT.

If you're a high-achieving student from a low-income background, the **College Prep Scholars Program can give you an early advantage in the admissions process** – now, in your junior year. As a College Prep Scholar, you will receive specialized support and opportunities to help you develop a strong college application that shares your unique story. You will receive the preparation you need to not only get into top colleges, but possibly attend *for free*.

WHY QUESTBRIDGE? Top colleges are actively seeking students who have excelled academically despite financial hardship, and **they partner with QuestBridge to find students like you.** All of our college partners – including Stanford, Yale, Amherst, and Duke – distinguish College Prep Scholars as being among **the nation's brightest high school juniors.**

The **majority of College Prep Scholars** are selected as Finalists for the QuestBridge National College Match, our program that connects high school seniors with admission and guaranteed full four-year scholarships to the nation's best colleges.



Being a College Prep Scholar definitely helped me realize that top colleges were looking for students like me. I felt like I had a shot at attending my dream school.

CALVIN GOAH
Columbia University, Class of 2019

ALL COLLEGE PREP SCHOLARS RECEIVE:

- > **Exclusive access to 40 of the nation's best colleges at a QuestBridge National College Admissions Conference:** Learn from and interact with admissions officers from leading colleges and universities at this full-day event.
- > **A head start on applying to college:** Fill out a full college application as a high school junior and receive valuable support and guidance to make yours further stand out.
- > **The distinction of being a College Prep Scholar:** Be identified as an outstanding candidate by top colleges.

YOU COULD ALSO RECEIVE:

- > **Full scholarships to college summer programs** at Emory, UChicago, Notre Dame, Penn, Stanford, Yale, and more.
- > **Personalized feedback** on your college essay from a trained coach.
- > **Quest for Excellence Awards, all-expense-paid campus visits, one-on-one telementoring,** and more!

ELIGIBILITY:

The College Prep Scholars Program is open to high school juniors who demonstrate:

- > **Academic Achievement and Strength in Character:** Primarily A's in the most challenging courses available, strong writing ability, and motivation to succeed. Class rank and test scores are also evaluated, if available.
- > **Financial Need:** Household income of less than \$65,000 annually (for a typical family of four), with minimal assets.

TYPICAL COLLEGE PREP SCHOLARS OFTEN:

- > Rank in the top 5-10% of their class
- > Score greater than 1280 on the SAT or PSAT, or greater than 27 on the ACT (if taken)
- > Are among the first generation in their family to attend a four-year college
- > Qualify for free or reduced-price lunch

APPLICATION COMPONENTS:

Complete a free, online College Prep Scholars Program application at www.questbridge.org by **March 21, 2018.** *Referrals are not required.*

- > Academic and financial information
- > An essay and short answers
- > Current high school transcript
- > A recommendation letter from a high school teacher
- > Any available standardized test scores



February

2018 College Prep Scholars Program application opens



Late March

Application deadline: March 21, 2018



Late April

College Prep Scholars selected



Summer

Benefit from opportunities to strengthen your application for the National College Match

Apply at www.questbridge.org