

# CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS STUDENT SCIENCE FAIR, INC.

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM



**Student Form – Application deadline is APRIL 10, 2008**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Check the appropriate box after completing the instructions. Only high school Seniors who will graduate from a Chicago public high school in 2008 and who have participated or are now participating in the Chicago Public Schools Student Science Fair at the Area level or above may apply. Students must intend to major in science, mathematics, or computer science in college to be eligible.

- 1. Attach a recent photograph of yourself in the space provided to the right. Either a black-and-white or color photo is acceptable. The photograph will be used for identification and publicity purposes.
- 2. Please complete, have a parent/guardian sign, and return a consent form and release. A copy of this form can be found on page 91 of the *2008 Science Fair Handbook*.
- 3. Print, type, or word process the information on this form. Illegible or incomplete applications will not receive consideration.
- 4. This application must be accompanied by an official transcript and **two (2)** letters of recommendation from your science or mathematics teacher(s).  
**All items are to be sent together in one package.**  
 Transcripts and accompanying data **must:**
  - a. Differentiate among regular, honors, and advanced placement courses.
  - b. Include first semester 12th-grade classes and grades.
  - c. Designate actual or approximate class rank.
  - d. Show 11th-grade standardized test scores and all college entrance test scores (a minimum of one test score must be attached; for example, ACT or SAT).
  - e. Include two letters of recommendation which contain specific comments about your individual achievements and unique abilities in the areas of science and/or mathematics.
- 5. Attach to this application a simple and concise personal essay (autobiographical sketch) which provides general information about you. The purpose of this essay is to give an indication of your scholarship, personal background, character and integrity, leadership ability, and general interests. Observe the following guidelines:
  - a. The personal essay shall be between 200 and 400 words in length.
  - b. Lined or unlined 8½" X 11" paper should be used. Handwritten essays must be legible. Typed essays are preferred.
  - c. Each page should be numbered and the student's last name should appear in the top left margin.



**PERSONAL DATA**

1. Name in Full: \_\_\_\_\_  
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

2. Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Chicago, IL \_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP CODE

3. Home Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
MONTH DAY YEAR

4. Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY STATE COUNTRY

5. Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_





**EMPLOYMENT**

16. Provide details about any summer jobs or activities (June through August).

YEAR	JOB/ACTIVITY	EMPLOYER	AMOUNT EARNED
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

17. Provide details about jobs or activities during any academic year (September through June).

YEAR	JOB/ACTIVITY	EMPLOYER	AMOUNT EARNED
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

**HONORS**

18. List any honors or prizes you have received or special achievements you have made since 9th grade, other than those directly related to the science fair. Attach a separate list if necessary.

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**SCIENCE FAIR PARTICIPATION**

19. Complete the following chart for every year since 6th grade during which you have participated in science fair activities. Use the following symbols to designate your rating.

**SCHOOL/AREA/CITY:** O–Outstanding E–Excellent HM–Honorable Mention or G - Gold S - Silver B - Bronze

**STATE:** Gold Silver Bronze

**ISEF:** P–Participation GA1–Grand Award 1st Place GA2–Grand Award 2nd Place GA3–Grand Award 3rd Place

YEAR	GRADE	SCHOOL FAIR	AREA FAIR	CITY FAIR			STATE FAIR			ISEF FAIR	SPECIAL AWARDS
				PROJECT	SYMPOSIUM	ESSAY	PROJECT	SYMPOSIUM	ESSAY		
	6										
	7										
	8										
	9										
	10										
	11										
	12										

20. Describe your most recent science project.

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**SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT INFORMATION**

**DePaul University**

One renewable \$2,500 tuition-waver scholarship  
Requirements: ACT score of 22+  
GPA of 3.0 or higher;  
Class rank in top 20%

**Illinois Institute of Technology**

Scholarship to be determined.  
Requirements:  
ACT score of 28+  
Acceptance into the Honors Program and rank in the top 15%

**Loyola University of Chicago**

One \$2,000 per year renewable tuition wavier  
Requirements:  
Admission to Loyola by April 1, 2008  
ACT score 24+ or 30+ for the Honors Program  
Class rank in upper 10%  
Major in biology, chemistry, physics, pre-medicine, or mathematics

**Northeastern Illinois University**

Two ½-year, tuition-free scholarships  
Requirements:  
ACT score 25+; Honors College admission  
Class rank in upper 10%  
Must have a valid social security number

**University of Chicago**

One tuition waiver of \$2,000  
Requirement:  
Accepted by the University by April 1, 2008

**University of Illinois at Chicago**

One 4-year, tuition-free scholarship  
Requirements:  
Admission to UIC Honors College:  
Call 312.413.2260 for details

**Cash Grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000**

The number of monetary scholarships and grants depends upon the generosity of corporations and philanthropic organizations that contribute to Chicago Public Schools Student Science Fair, Inc.

Your application for scholarships will be considered with those of other students. A committee will evaluate the credentials you have submitted. DECISIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE FINAL. Scholarships cannot be converted from one type to another. Scholarships are not transferable.

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APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

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PARENT'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
COUNSELOR'S TELEPHONE NUMBER

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

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