

# Admissions Application

## **Section I: Applicant Information**

Full Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

County of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Citizen: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthplace: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Educational Background**

Current School (full name): \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private \_\_\_\_\_ Boarding \_\_\_\_\_

Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all other schools attended during grades 7-10. (Official transcripts should be sent directly from your current school.)

School	City/State	Dates Attended
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Is English your first language? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If not, how long have you spoken English? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Have you had or are you now enrolled in Algebra II? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
 Have you had or are you now enrolled in Geometry? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

## **Student Filing Status**

Current Grade Level: Sophomore \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ (Explain : \_\_\_\_\_)

Anticipated year of high school graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a permanent resident of Indiana? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If you are not a permanent resident of the State of Indiana, explain the circumstances that establish your eligibility to attend Indiana public schools: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Family Information**

Name(s) of parent(s) or legal guardian(s) with whom you live:

Name	Relationship	Name	Relationship
_____	_____	_____	_____
Address		Address	
_____	_____	_____	_____
City	State	Zip	City
_____	_____	_____	_____
Telephone	E-mail address	Telephone	E-mail Address
_____	_____	_____	_____

## **Optional Information**

Do you have a sibling who has attended the Indiana Academy? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please list name and years of attendance: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you participated in an Academy related program? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ (Explain: \_\_\_\_\_) No \_\_\_\_\_

(Ethnic information is requested so that the Indiana Academy can demonstrate compliance with federal requirements. Failure to respond will not affect this application. If you choose to answer, fill in the appropriate circle.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Native American or Alaskan Native<br><input type="checkbox"/> Asian, Pacific Islander<br><input type="checkbox"/> Black or African-American<br><input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic-Mexican, Chicano, Puerto Rican,<br><input type="checkbox"/> Cuban, Central or South American | <input type="checkbox"/> White (non-Hispanic) – Ancestral origin<br>in Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East<br><input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Ethnic:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other |
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## **Section II: Activities & Accomplishments**

In order to evaluate thoroughly your application, we need to know more about you than we can learn through your grades, test scores, and recommendations alone. Please list your significant extracurricular activities in grades seven through 10. Indicate any leadership positions you held in these activities. Examples include music, drama, debate, student government, athletics, school publications, school- or community-sponsored clubs or activities, etc. You may attach an additional page if necessary.

Activity	Leadership Position	Dates

List any awards or honors you have received, both in and out of school, while in grades seven to 10. Examples include music performances, academic competitions, athletic contests, dramatic performances, forensic competitions, publications of articles or stories, community service, etc. Indicate whether each award was at the local, state, or national level. You may attach an additional page if necessary.

Award	Year	Individual or Team	Level

## **Section III: Signatures and Releases**

The information given herein is true and accurate. If the applicant is accepted for admission to the Indiana Academy for Science, Mathematics, and Humanities we agree to adhere to the rules and regulations now in existence and those that may be established in the future by the school. We understand that withholding pertinent information requested in this application or giving false information will make the student ineligible for admission to the Indiana Academy for Science, Mathematics, and Humanities. We permit information in the application and other records resulting from applying to and attending the Indiana Academy to be made available on a confidential basis to the applicant's home school, and to persons designated by the Indiana Academy to review the candidate's application file. All application documents are retained by the Indiana Academy. Further, we understand admission decisions are based on multiple criteria including subjective judgments regarding academic and leadership potential, motivation, and demographic representation along with grades and test scores. In addition we authorize the applicant's current school officials to provide to the Indiana Academy any information required by this application concerning the applicant. Finally, by signing below we acknowledge that the applicant and parental essays submitted are the respective individuals own authentic and original work.

Applicant Signature	Date	Parent Signature	Date
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## **Parental Attestation**

By signing below, I am acknowledging my support of my child's admission application. Furthermore, to the best of my knowledge, I believe that my child will be successful, academically and residentially, at the Indiana Academy. Also by signing below, I acknowledge that should my student not complete his/her application by May 30, 2009, his/her file will be withdrawn from the application process. I also acknowledge that my student may withdraw his/her application at any time during the process and, if the file is withdrawn at any time, I acknowledge the file may be reactivated by calling the Office of Admissions to request the file be reactivated.

Signature of Parent / Guardian	Date
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## **Section V: Short Answer & Essay**

Type or write legibly in black or blue ink. You may complete these on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Present your feeling about living away from home.
2. Describe how you handle stressful situations.
3. Discuss your time management skills.
4. Discuss an adjective that best describes you.
5. Describe the most challenging academic course you have taken and how you met the challenge.
6. Are there any special circumstances, background information, or other factors (positive or negative) that have affected your performance in high school?
7. Discuss reasons why the Indiana Academy would be an appropriate educational opportunity for you. Include a description of your education interests and objectives.
8. Select a personal accomplishment (other than grades) you have achieved in school or in a community organization. Describe that accomplishment, the actions you took to achieve it, and why you think the accomplishment is important.
9. The Indiana Academy is committed to the development of ethical leaders. Please describe a situation from your experience that required you to make an ethical decision about your behavior. Also tell us what decision you made, why you made it, and the impact it has had on your life and/or those around you.
10. Please describe your personality and pet peeves. Then describe the personality / characteristics that you would like your roommate to have and explain why.
11. Please list in chronological order any major or important events that have occurred in your life from pre-school until now.
12. What should we have asked you? Please respond.

## **Parent/Guardian Essay (Optional)**

On a separate sheet of paper, please address the areas of maturity, time management, and motivation that you have observed in your student during the past year. When you have completed the essay, please be sure both your name and your student's name are printed on the essay. Your signature will attest the parent/guardian essay is your authentic work.

## Instructions & Information

### Applicant Instructions

- Please read through the entire application packet before completing or distributing any portion of it. Take particular note of instructions that pertain not only to you as an applicant but also to those who will serve as your references.
- Register to take the SAT during your sophomore year. See your guidance counselor for assistance in signing up for a national test date or call 1-800-316-3163 to inquire about institutional testing offered on the Academy campus. (Scores from tests taken at the Academy will be used solely for the purpose of the Indiana Academy application process. They may not be used for any other program, scholarship, or college.) SAT scores must be from a test taken within 6 months of your application.
- If you take the SAT with Educational Testing Services at a national test site, be certain to request that your test scores be sent directly to the Indiana Academy by using the appropriate code: 5731.
- Request that an official transcript from grades seven through the first grading period (minimum) of your sophomore year be sent directly to the Indiana Academy. A transcript issued to you is not acceptable unless it is in a sealed school letterhead envelope with your school counselor's or registrar's signature across the flap.
- Solicit recommendations from the appropriate teachers, administrators, and/or gifted and talented coordinator. Any additional references will be included in your file but are not required. Each recommendation form may be sent directly to us from the person who completes it or may be given to the student in a sealed school letterhead envelope with the submitters' signature across the flap.
- Use black or blue ink to print or type all information requested on the application and essays. Check your work for accuracy and completeness. Correct spelling and grammar are very important. Make a file copy of all correspondence and materials you send to the Indiana Academy. All materials should be mailed to: Indiana Academy for Science, Mathematics, and Humanities, c/o Ball State University, Academy House, Office of Admissions, Muncie, IN 47306-0655.
- Call the Office of Admissions if you have any questions at 1-800-316-3163 or [www.bsu.edu/academy](http://www.bsu.edu/academy).

### The Application

Indiana residents who are eligible to attend a public high school may apply for admission to the Academy. Students should start and complete the application process during their sophomore year in high school. Students must submit an application form, an essay, transcripts, an SAT score, and four academic recommendations. Continuance in the Academy program is dependent upon satisfactory academic performance and compliance with all Academy expectations including residential and academic life policies.

### Equal Opportunity Statement

The Indiana Academy for Science, Mathematics, and Humanities does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, creed, national origin, or household income. The purpose for gathering the information contained in this application is to enable the Admissions Committee of the Indiana Academy to base admission decisions on information relevant to the curriculum and residential life programs, to ascertain the effectiveness of recruitment efforts in researching all segments of the population, and to ensure that proper facilities are available to serve all students.



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### Additional Information

- If you have a “D” or lower on your high school transcript in a core class for a semester grade, you are ineligible to receive the Indiana Academic Honors Diploma. Please contact the Office of Admissions for additional information if this pertains to you.
- The parent essay is not required; but is recommended.
- Our Admissions Committee may ask you to submit additional information. This does not indicate a problem with your application. They may do this to supplement the information already received.
- Qualified students are admitted as long as there is space available in the class. Students are encouraged to start and complete their applications early in their sophomore year for the optimum probability of class space availability.
- The Executive Admissions Committee will automatically review a student’s file that does not meet the minimum state requirements on the ISTEP examination. Admission to the Indiana Academy is based on the contingency of the outcome of this meeting. Since ISTEP scores are not released until the spring of each school year, do not delay completing your application. ISTEP scores can be reviewed in the spring after a student has been admitted and enrolled.
- Admission offers and enrollment is contingent upon completing the sophomore year in accordance with Academy standards.
- Every effort will be made to advise you periodically of the status of your application. You are welcome to contact us any time to determine if your file is complete or if you have any questions. You may e-mail us via the Academy web site at [www.bsu.edu/academy](http://www.bsu.edu/academy) or call toll free at 1-800-316-3163.
- It is your responsibility to ensure that your application is complete.
- Our admissions process gives every applicant the right to appeal the original admissions decision. Written requests to initiate an appeal should be filed by the student and the custodial parent(s) or legal guardian(s) no later than ten working days after receipt of the admissions decision. Please contact the Office of Admissions for details.
- Orientation will be held the week of June 15, 2009. If you are admitted, you will be expected to attend

### Have you....

- Turned in the Admissions Application and essays
- Distributed Recommendations
  - Administrative
  - English
  - Mathematics
  - Science
- Signed-up for and/or taken the SAT
- Requested that transcripts grades 7-10 (to-date) be sent
- Submitted a copy of your 10<sup>th</sup> grade schedule

Please visit [www.bsu.edu/academy](http://www.bsu.edu/academy) for more information.



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