



High School High Scholar (HS)² is a rigorous STEM-based summer enrichment program at Colorado Rocky Mountain School that transforms the lives of promising high school students from underserved communities by inspiring them to reach their full potential, preparing them for college and empowering them for success in the world. (HS)² recruits students from targeted cities across the United States.* All accepted students receive full scholarships to attend (HS)², and commit to intensive study for five weeks for three consecutive summers.

Goals of (HS)²:

- To provide scholars with a strong background in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), allowing them to pursue and be successful in advanced courses in high school and college.
- To build scholars' confidence in their academic and leadership abilities so that they have the intellectual courage, grit, and resilience to manage challenges in high school, college and life.
- To cultivate a strong sense of community that offers students support and encourages them to make positive contributions in their own communities.
- To prepare scholars to attain access to, and financial support for, the colleges of their choice.

Applicant Eligibility

To be eligible to apply to (HS)², applicants must be:

- Currently in 9th grade in a public high school
- African American, Latino, or Native American
- Qualify for free or reduced-fee lunch, or able to demonstrate financial hardship
- First generation college student
- Top 10% of class academically
- Interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics (STEM)
- U.S. Citizen or legal resident

*(HS)² currently accepts applications from African American and Latino students from public schools in Bronx, Brooklyn and New York, NY; Milwaukee, WI; Denver, CO; Dallas, TX; Fort Worth, TX; Kansas City, MO; and New Orleans, LA. Native American students may apply from any geographic area of the United States and must meet all other program criteria. Finalists among the applicants will be given personal interviews.

For more information about (HS)², visit <http://www.crms.org/hs2/>, or call our Program Director Cindy Blachly at 970-963-2562 x134 or Assistant Director Abby Mandel at 970-963-2562 x116.



**2019 Pre-Application and Essay
Due Friday, October 26, 2018**

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION (Please print):

Applicant's Name _____ Gender _____ Birth Date ___/___/___
First Middle Last

Mailing Address (where you receive mail) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Student Cell Phone (_____) _____ Home Phone (_____) _____

Student E-mail _____ Ethnicity _____

Is applicant a U.S. Citizen or legal resident? Yes No Number of Siblings Living in Household _____

2. SCHOOL INFORMATION

Current Public High School _____ Student's Current Grade _____

School Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School Phone (_____) _____ Guidance Counselor Name _____

Counselor Phone (_____) _____ Guidance Counselor E-mail _____

Counselor Fax (_____) _____

3. PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Parents' marital status (relative to each other): Single Married Separated Divorced Widowed

Parent 1: _____ Relationship to Applicant _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

E-mail _____

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Parent information continued...

Parent 2: _____

Relationship to Applicant _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____

Cell Phone (_____) _____

E-mail _____

4. PARENT EDUCATION

Mother's highest level of education completed, please check one of the following:

Elementary School Middle School High School College: Associate's Bachelor's Master's Doctoral

Father's highest level of education completed, please check one of the following:

Elementary School Middle School High School College: Associate's Bachelor's Master's Doctoral

5. ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME (Required for applicant to be considered)

On the lines below, please write in the amount of your family's annual household income for 2017, and the number of dependents this income supported. If parents are divorced or separated, please provide incomes for *both* households.

2017 Annual Family Income \$ _____ Number of Dependents in 2017 _____

Second Household Income (if applicable) \$ _____

6. STUDENT ESSAY

Together with this pre-application, please submit a typed 500-word typed essay on why you (the student) are interested in participating in (HS)². This essay is intended to reflect your own work; please do not have anyone review, revise, or edit your essay. Specifically:

- Why are you interested in attending (HS)²? How do you feel this program would benefit you?
- Tell us about yourself, where you live, what your life is like. What is your favorite subject in school, why?
- Tell us about your interests, activities, goals for the future. Why do you think you are a good fit for (HS)²?

Complete and submit this form to (HS)², along with your typed 500-word essay, by Friday, October 26, 2018 via one of the two options below:

1. Mail: Colorado Rocky Mountain School/(HS)² Program 500 Holden Way, Carbondale, CO 81623
2. Email: Scan and email as a .pdf attachment to hs2@crms.org

Once (HS)² receives your **pre-application and essay** and determines that you have met eligibility requirements, you will receive a full application packet that includes student and parent questionnaires, teacher recommendation forms, school transcripts, and an income verification form, all of which are due to (HS)² by December 14, 2018.

If your contact information changes, please let us know immediately at hs2@crms.org.