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Cooke Young Scholars Program

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Applicant Support

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation is dedicated to advancing the education of exceptionally promising students who have financial need.

Young Scholars Program Experience

Personalized Advising to assist with school selection and four-year academic planning.

Financial Support to pursue academic and extracurricular enrichment activities.

Scholar Community that includes summer programming, opportunities for internships, study abroad, and leadership training.





Educational Adviser

The educational adviser's role includes:

- Identifying an appropriately rigorous high school.
- Engaging in four-year planning and goal-setting.
- Creating Individualized Learning Plans that enhance the high school experience by funding academic and extracurricular enrichment opportunities.
- Facilitating year-round Young Scholar community programming, including group hangouts online and attendance at Cooke-sponsored summer programs.



Scholarship Support

Summer programs

Online courses

Music lessons

Software and technology

Conferences and competitions

Internships



Young Scholar Community

Welcome Weekend: Four-day residential experience for each Young Scholar and a parent/guardian

First Summer: Residential summer experience to bond as a cohort, and learn valuable leadership and high-school preparation skills on a college campus

Senior Summit: Residential summer experience focused on the college search, application process, and financial aid. Scholars also take part in an independent research project.

Continuing Support

Young Scholar seniors are eligible to apply for the Cooke College Scholarship, which awards up to \$40,000 per year for four years.





Eligibility

- Currently in 7th grade and/or entering 8th grade in the fall of 2021
- Since the beginning of 6th grade, has earned all or mostly As in core academic subjects
- Residing in the U.S. or a U.S. territory and plan to attend high school in the U.S.
- Demonstrate unmet financial need with a maximum AGI of \$95,000

Selection Criteria

- Academic Achievement
- Persistence
- Leadership
- Financial Need





Application Checklist

- Student information
- Parent/Guardian information
- Report cards from 6th and 7th grade
- Recommendations from 2 teachers
- Activities, honors and awards
- 3 short responses and 1 essay from application prompts
- Self-reported AGI from the last three tax years

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Review

We have detected the following errors with your application. These errors must be corrected before submission.

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Outreach Partners

- Northwestern University's Center for Talent Development (CTD)
- Johns Hopkins University's Center for Talented Youth (CTY)
- AVID Center (specifically in Florida, North Carolina, Texas)
- National Junior Honor Society



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New cohort of Young Scholars
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