

YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM PROFILE

JACK KENT COOKE
FOUNDATION

2021 SELECTED YOUNG SCHOLARS

The Cooke Young Scholars Program is a selective five-year, pre-college scholarship for high-performing 7th grade students with financial need. Educational advisers help Cooke Young Scholars maximize the high school experience and prepare to thrive at the nation's top-performing colleges.

TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM, THE APPLICANT MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Grade level: Currently in 7th grade and/or entering 8th grade in the fall of 2021.

Academics: Earned all As and Bs in core academic subjects since beginning of 6th grade.

Income: Demonstrate unmet financial need with a maximum adjusted gross income of \$95,000.

Location: Permanently reside in the United States and plan to attend high school in the U.S.

This cohort of Young Scholars includes district, regional, and state robotics, music, math, and spelling bee champions (with one headed to Scripps!), a first-place winner for a Panasonic Eco Student Citizenship Project, and a recipient of a president's volunteer service award. One finalist is a reporter for Scholastic Kids Press and another was chosen to present to her congressperson on behalf of her school about climate change.

These Scholars are already taking accelerated courses in STEM, humanities, and languages, grade levels above their peers.

ABOUT THIS COHORT

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

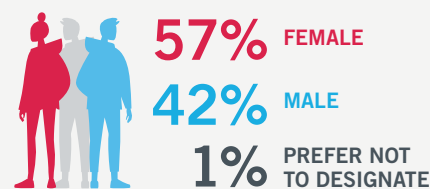
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APPLICANTS ACCEPTED

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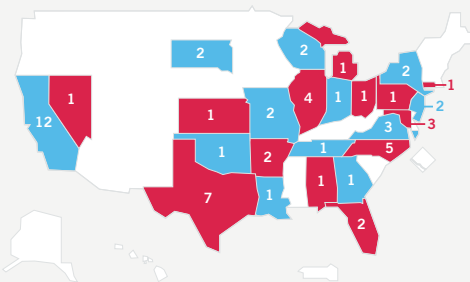
ACCEPTANCE RATE

5.9%



\$ **\$39,940**
MEDIAN FAMILY ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME


GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION 25 STATES



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| AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK | 17% |
| ASIAN OR ASIAN AMERICAN | 15% |
| HISPANIC, LATINO, OR SPANISH ORIGIN | 17% |
| INDIGENOUS/AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE | 4% |
| WHITE | 16% |
| PREFER NOT TO DESIGNATE | 1% |
| SOME OTHER RACE OR ORIGIN | 2% |

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| TEXAS: 7 | MICHIGAN: 1 | SOUTH DAKOTA: 2 | MARYLAND: 3 | PENNSYLVANIA: 1 |
| FLORIDA: 2 | NEVADA: 1 | GEORGIA: 1 | TENNESSEE: 1 | OHIO: 1 |
| CALIFORNIA: 12 | NEW YORK: 2 | NORTH CAROLINA: 5 | KANSAS: 1 | ALABAMA: 1 |
| WISCONSIN: 2 | ARKANSAS: 2 | OKLAHOMA: 1 | ILLINOIS: 4 | INDIANA: 1 |
| CONNECTICUT: 1 | NEW JERSEY: 2 | VIRGINIA: 3 | MISSOURI: 2 | LOUISIANA: 1 |

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The **JACK KENT COOKE FOUNDATION** is dedicated to advancing the education of exceptionally promising students who have financial need. Since 2000, the Foundation has awarded **\$230 million** in scholarships to **nearly 3,000 students** from 8th grade through graduate school, along with comprehensive counseling and other support services. The Foundation has also provided **\$120 million** in grants to organizations that serve such students.

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