

Governor's School Student Application



GETTING STARTED

Decide on your Area One Discipline. Not sure? Read through the descriptions in the [Family Overview Guide](#).

Begin thinking about your essays and your list of activities, awards, etc.

Decide on the two people who will complete your recommendations following the guidelines in the Family Overview Guide. Contact them early as they often get multiple requests.

Reach out to a trusted teacher or counselor to help answer any questions you may have.



ART AUDITION

Students applying in any of the Arts areas must submit an [electronic audition](#) to highlight their work.

Each areas of the Arts has different requirements which can be found on the [student application](#). Carefully read each requirement to ensure all components are being addressed.

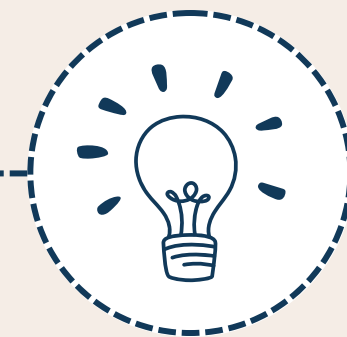
If you are unsure about any component, please talk to your instructor. They should be able to offer suggestions and provide guidance as you complete this portion.



RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations are an integral part of the selection process. When the state level committee is reviewing hundreds of applications, the comments on recommendation forms make a difference, especially when students have the same overall rating.

We encourage you to send recommendation forms as soon as possible to allow time for thoughtful completion. Be sure you communicate the area you are applying in with your recommender.

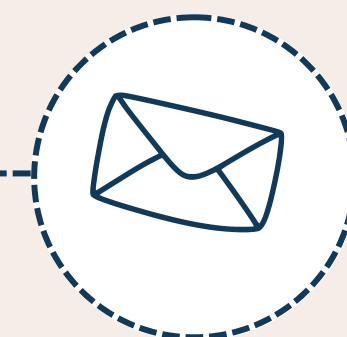


ESSAYS

Essays and written responses are the **most important** part of a student's application. Readers want to "hear" your voice! In both of your essays, express your thoughts, opinions, and values.

Read the prompts carefully, being sure to address **each of the components**.

All responses in part 3 should also be well-developed even though they are shorter prompts. Again, be sure to express your "voice".



SUBMIT APPLICATION

Before submitting your application to your school contact, be sure to:

- triple check spelling, grammar, capitalization, and punctuation.
- check with the two people completing your recommendations to ensure they have submitted their forms.
- review audition tape to ensure all parts are included (Art students only) and link can be viewed by others outside of DPS..

Deadline: Monday, November 27th at midnight