



Douglas County School System

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Trent North, Superintendent

REACH Scholarship Program Application Qualification - Phase I of three phases

The Governor's REACH Scholarship Program is a mentorship and scholarship program that provides scholars with the academic, social, and financial support needed to graduate from high school, access college and achieve post-secondary success. Upon successful completion of the program, the REACH scholarship award will offer qualifying students a \$10,000 scholarship (\$2,500/year for up to four years) towards the educational costs at an **in-state**, HOPE-eligible public or private post-secondary institution.

To be eligible for the REACH Scholarship Program, a student must meet each of the categories listed below.
Please check the items below which apply to your child.

- ☐ Currently in the 7th grade at a participating eligible Georgia middle school
- ☐ Qualify for the Free or Reduced Lunch Program*attached form to complete for verification
- ☐ Has legal status in the United States (U.S. Citizen or legal resident)
- ☐ Has grade reports reflecting minimum grades of a "C" or better in each core course
- ☐ Has not missed more than 4 days of school, unless medically documented
- ☐ No discipline suspensions or major infractions reported

Parental comments (please print) _____

I certify that the information provided above is accurate. I give the Douglas County School System and Communities In Schools of Douglas County permission to verify the information provided.

Parent /Guardian Name: _____

(Please print)

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Student Applicant's Name: _____
(Please print)

Student Applicant's Signature: _____

Student Applicant's School: _____

Parent /Guardian email address: _____

Student's email address: (if applicable) _____

Parent /Guardian day time phone number: _____ cell phone number: _____

Applications are due to Dr. Cunnien by February 21, 2020.

Please note, this scholarship is for students to attend an in GEORGIA college or university. It will not apply to any schools out of state.

SHARING INFORMATION WITH OTHER PROGRAMS

Dear Parent/Guardian:

To save you time and effort, the information you gave on your Free and Reduced-Price School Meals Application may be shared with other programs for which your children may qualify. For the following program, we must have your permission to share your information. Sending in this form will not change whether your children get free or reduced price meals.

- ☐ Yes! I DO want school officials to share information from my Free and Reduced-Price School Meals Application with Counselors and persons associated with the Realizing Educational Achievement Can Happen (REACH) Program.

If you checked yes to the box above, fill out the form below to ensure that your information is shared for the child listed below. Your information will be shared only with the program you checked.

Child's Name: _____ School: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

For more information, you may call Juanita Taylor at 770-651-2305 or e-mail at Juanita.Taylor@dcss.ga.org

Return this form to: _____ By: _____

Cafeteria Manager Signature: _____

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