

## Frequently Asked Questions

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<b>When will the next GSP application be available?</b>	The 2017-2018 application is available starting April 1, 2017 on our website at <a href="http://www.greenscholars.org">www.greenscholars.org</a> .
<b>When is the GSP application due?</b>	All application components are due online by May 1, 2017.
<b>What should I expect during the application process?</b>	All submitted applications will be reviewed. Semifinalists and their parents will be contacted via email to schedule a family interview. During this interview each family will have an opportunity to ask questions and make a decision to proceed with admission. A nonrefundable \$100 commitment fee will be collected at this time. Finalists will be required to participate in our New Family Orientation in late-August. All applicants will be notified of their status by August 1. GSP will send all notifications to the email address that you provided in your application.
<b>Are there any costs to participate in the program?</b>	Yes, the remainder of the \$350 annual program fee per family will be due by August 15th or the New Family Orientation Meeting. Parents are also asked (1) to collect words of encouragement from family, friends, or businesses for one page of ads to be showcased in the GSP annual souvenir book, and (2) purchase two tickets to the annual gala held in January. Average annual cost per family is ~\$600. There are no additional fees for multiple siblings.
<b>What activities will I be expected to participate in during the school year?</b>	As a Greene Scholar, you will have the opportunity to attend monthly workshops (on Saturdays mornings) designed to prepare you for college and nurture your interest in science and math. In addition, you are expected to participate in our annual Science Fair and Gala, engineering competitions, career fair and year-end field trips. Finally, you will be offered optional enrichment activities and competitions such as PSAT testing, Synopsys Science Fair Championships competition. Workshops and activities do change annually based on Scholars grade level.
<b>Do I have to attend these activities?</b>	You will be provided a program calendar at the beginning of the program year, deliverables list and reminded at least two weeks in advance of any activity. This notification will inform you if it is a MANDATORY or OPTIONAL participatory event.

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<b>What other responsibilities will I have during the academic year ?</b>	You may be asked to attend receptions, community events, conferences and/or represent GSP at your school, community and in the public. You may be asked to respond to surveys, submit your grade reports, complete additional applications and keep your contact information up to date with our staff.
<b>What activities will I be expected to participate in during the Summer ?</b>	As a Greene Scholar, you will have an opportunity to participate in the GSP Summer Science Institute in late June. This weeklong program is typically hosted on a college or corporate campus. This is not a residential program. There are other optional summer enrichment programs that you will be invited to participate in including Rites of Passage, Robotics Camp, and Math Academy.
<b>Will there be homework?</b>	Scholars will have access to tutoring and may be required to complete online applications, forms or surveys. Scholars will also be required to complete their Science Fair projects, student resume and NSBE engineering projects independent of monthly meetings.
<b>Are parents/guardians required to actively participate in the program?</b>	Yes, parents play an integral role and commit to volunteer 40 hours of service to the program annually. Parents work on teams and are assigned specific tasks. In addition, parents receive best practices and strategies for engaging and motivating their children at workshops conducted four times per year (on Saturdays) between August and May.
<b>Will I have fun?</b>	We sure hope that you will!. We provide an environment to meet other students who have similar interests. Many of our Scholars become lifelong friends and attend the same colleges as alumni. We believe in celebrating success and provide incentives through gift cards, celebrations, and field trips to our Scholars.
<b>Who do I contact if I still have questions?</b>	You can email your questions to our Executive Director at <a href="mailto:contact@greenescholars.org">contact@greenescholars.org</a> .