

INSPIRITAS

Application Form

The INSPIRITAS Scholars Program is a comprehensive, cost effective, academic college preparatory program, designed for conscientious international students seeking to prepare themselves for admission to a top-tier American college or university. The program features one year of fulltime study in an American public high school with the goal of meeting the requirements for an American high school diploma. Students accepted into the INSPIRITAS Scholars Program receive a full range of academic preparation and college counseling services, most of which they receive in their home country prior to traveling to the U.S. They are prepared to successfully meet the requirements for an American high school diploma, and we guide and support them through the college selection and admission process. Our goal is to prepare our scholars to become strong candidates for admission to some of the best universities in the world.

Features of the INSPIRITAS Scholars Program include:

- High school placement
- Host family match and placement
- Host family accommodation on full board basis*
- Guidance services for college admissions process
- Weekly, supervised "study halls" to support academic, cultural, and language skill development
- Individual academic and English language support**
- August academic and cultural immersion prep camp (before school begins)
- Field trips for college tours (visit colleges and universities in Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York, including Harvard, Brown, Yale, Columbia, NYU, and MIT)
- Guardianship and supervision by INSPIRITAS guidance professionals during the program
- 24 hour emergency support service throughout the program
- Airport meet and greet***

*Students are provided with breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Students may bring lunches from home, but are otherwise responsible for buying their own lunches, if they want something beyond what is offered by the school cafeteria.

**Students requiring additional support may incur an extra charge, based on level of assessed skills.

***All students are picked up at the Boston Logan International Airport on arrival by their host family or an INSPIRITAS representative.

Application requirements

Students aged 16 - 18 are eligible to attend the program. In some cases, 19-year-olds or graduated students may be eligible. All students must have and maintain a strong grade point average as well as a high level of maturity and motivation to study abroad. All students are required to take a TOEFL test and submit their test results. Although we do not set a minimum score for acceptance to the program, your score will be one factor in our assessment of your potential success as an INSPIRITAS Scholar.

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To apply for admission to the INSPIRITAS Scholars Program:

- Complete the INSPIRITAS Scholars Application Form on the following pages.
- Send all electronic documents to info@inspiritas.com
- Send all required ORIGINAL supporting documents on the checklist below to:

**INSPIRITAS Scholars Program
7 Alden Rd.
West Yarmouth, MA 02673 USA**

Before sending your application packet to INSPIRITAS, make sure you include ALL of these documents:

1. *Your most recent school transcripts with grades (Original);*
2. *Recommendation from your most recent English teacher (see form below);*
3. *Recommendation from school principal or guidance counselor (see form below);*
4. *Copy of your TOEFL test score report;*
5. *Copy of the photo page of your passport;*
6. *Official Bank Statement (less than 3 months old) listing total amount of your personal, family or government financial support;*
7. *2 passport size photos of yourself; and*
8. *An application fee of \$75 (US).*

(Applications CANNOT be processed until all fees and documents have been received)

All documents submitted must be translated into English

Application Process

The application deadline for the August, 2014 class of INSPIRITAS Scholars is April 1, 2014. However, the cohort of Scholars may be filled before that date. Please send your applications in early to make sure you have your best chance of acceptance.

INSPIRITAS wants your program to be successful. We will evaluate your academic performance, English proficiency, maturity and readiness for leadership opportunities.

Once accepted into the INSPIRITAS Scholars program, we will facilitate your application to the school district.

Accepted students will receive an acceptance letter from INSPIRITAS.

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Student Information

Name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Gender	Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>	
Birthdate	Month/Day/Year	
Country of Citizenship		
Permanent Address		
Mailing Address (If Different)		
Telephone Number		
Email Address		
Skype Address		

Family Information

Father's Name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Mother's Name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Father's Address		
Mother's Address (If Different)		
Father's Telephone		
Mother's Telephone		
Father's email		Skype
Mother's email		Skype

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Agent Information

Agent's Name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Agency Name		
Agent's Address		
Agent's Telephone		
Agent's Fax		
Agent's email		Skype

Emergency Contact Information

Contact's Name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Relationship to Student		
Contact's Address		
Contact's Telephone		
Contact's email		Skype

School Information

List all schools you have attended in the last five (5) years. List your most recent school FIRST.

School Name	Location (City & Country)	Dates of Attendance (Month/ Year)	Graduation (Month/ Year)	Study Program	Diploma

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English Language Training

Number of years you have spent studying English _____

List the results of any standardized English exams you have taken.

Exam	Highest Scores	Date Taken
TOEFL		
SLEP		
Other		

List any volunteer work you have done.

List any hobbies, sports, or activities that you have participated in.

List any hobbies, sports, or activities that you would like to participate in during your stay in the US.

List any awards or special recognitions you have received.

List any performances, exhibits or publications.

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Personal Statement

In your own words, write about why you would like to attend an overseas high school and what you think you would be able to contribute to your school.

Why do you want to join this program?

Write about your plans after high school.

SIGNATURE

Your signature below indicates that all information provided in your application is complete and accurate. False or misleading information on this application will result in cancellation of your application and forfeiture of your application fee, placement fees, refusal of admission and/ or removal from the school and program, and possible deportation to your home country.

Your signature also authorizes INSPIRITAS staff to act as your personal representative both during the admission process and your enrollment into the US public school placement. In granting this authorization, you give your consent to allow INSPIRITAS staff to receive official acceptance and immigration documents from the school, to sign school documents on your behalf, and receive updates and academic progress reports from the school.

In order for INSPIRITAS to submit any application for you at any school, you and your parents must sign this application.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of 1st Parent: _____ Date: _____

Signature of 2nd Parent: _____ Date: _____

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CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Prospective students must be able to demonstrate that they have sufficient financial support to pay for all school and living expenses for one academic year before school acceptance can be offered.

Name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Birthdate	Month/Day/Year	

For each source of funding listed below, an **original** signed bank statement less than three (3) months old is required that shows the amount of available funds stated in US Dollars. Sponsors for the student must sign the sponsor's certification below.

Total Amount per year: \$US _____ **Source(s) of funding in U.S. dollars, per year of study:**

Personal Funds (funds belonging to the student in an account in his/her name) *Amount per year \$US* _____

Family Funds and/or Private Sponsor *Amount per year \$US* _____

Sponsor's name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Relationship to Student		
Sponsor's address		
Sponsor's Telephone		
Sponsor's email		Skype

Government or Other Scholarship or Loan (*Attach copy to this page*) *Amount per year \$US* _____

FAMILY OR SPONSOR'S CERTIFICATION

I certify that I will provide financial support for _____ during
(Student's Name)
his/her program in the USA. I understand that school and living costs are subject to increases at any time.

Sponsor's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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PARENT STATEMENTS

1. Please introduce your child to his/her future American School.

2. What are your child's strengths and weaknesses? How will these affect his/her ability to succeed in an American high school program?

3. Are there any medical conditions or mental or physical conditions your child's future school should know about? If so, please specify what they are.

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Application Authorization Form

We the Parents of, _____ authorize this application
(Student's Name)

to the INSPIRITAS Scholars Program. We hereby authorize INSPIRITAS and its staff to serve as the sole point of contact between ourselves and your institution throughout this application process.

We request that all correspondence and communications regarding our child's application and acceptance documents (including the Form I-20) be sent directly to INSPIRITAS located at:

**INSPIRITAS Scholars Program
7 Alden Road
West Yarmouth, MA 02673
USA**

INSPIRITAS will ensure that these communications and documents are sent to us immediately upon receipt from your institution.

Additionally, we authorize INSPIRITAS to receive academic performance and progress reports and make inquiries regarding our child's status on our behalf throughout his/her enrollment at your school.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

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ENGLISH TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

To be completed by the student's most recent English teacher.

Student's name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Teacher's name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Name of School		
School Address		
Teacher's Telephone		
Teacher's email		Skype

How long have you known this student?

Academic Qualities	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	Comments
Correct use of spoken English	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Correct use of written English	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Correct use of English grammar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Correct use of English vocabulary	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Class participation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Ability to handle criticism	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Academic motivation/discipline	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Additional Comments:

Signature _____ Date _____

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SCHOOL OFFICIAL RECOMMENDATION FORM

To be completed by the student's SCHOOL PRINCIPAL or GUIDANCE COUNSELOR.

Student's name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Official's Name		
	Family Name	Given Name(s)
Official's Title		
Name of School		
School Address		
Official's Telephone		
Official's email		Skype

How long have you known this student?

Academic Qualities	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor
Self discipline	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Homework effort	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Love of learning/curiosity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to solve problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to accept feedback	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal Qualities	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor
Leadership and Courage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Relationships with other students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Relationships with teachers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Honesty/Integrity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Creativity/Innovation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self confidence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Additional Comments: _____

Signature _____ Date _____