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2008 QuestBridge College Prep Scholarship APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2008

QuestBridge's College Prep Scholarship provides awards that equip outstanding low-income high school juniors with the knowledge necessary to compete for admission to top-ranked colleges.

Raise Your Sights: A Top-Tier College Education Is Possible

Students from low-income backgrounds with strong academic records actually have significant advantages in college admissions. Leading colleges are actively seeking to increase socio-economic diversity on their campuses. And admissions officers view academic success in the face of economic challenges as an indicator of a student's potential to succeed in college.

You Can Afford It

Attending a selective college actually can be cheaper than going to a community or state college, because aid packages at many leading schools cover 100% of students' financial need.

College Prep Scholarship Awards

- **Full scholarships to college summer school programs:** 10 students will receive free counseling from QuestBridge to support their application to summer school programs at Harvard, Notre Dame, Stanford, or Yale. If accepted, they will receive a scholarship covering the full cost of travel, tuition, and room & board.
- **Individualized college admissions counseling:** 40 students will be paired with a counselor from QuestBridge's staff who will provide personalized admissions and financial aid advice.
- **College admissions conference invitations:** 800 students will be invited to QuestBridge conferences at Stanford and Yale. Participants will attend workshops on how low-income students can successfully apply to leading colleges. They will also meet college admissions officers and learn more about the opportunities that QuestBridge offers.
- **All-expense-paid campus visits:** 30 students will have their travel expenses and room & board covered to visit a QuestBridge partner college.
- **Tele-mentoring with college students:** 100 students will be paired with an Amherst College student who will advise them by phone and e-mail about the college admissions process.

The all-expense-paid campus visits and tele-mentoring awards are reserved by our partner colleges exclusively for QuestBridge applicants, and are awarded by the colleges based on a separate application.

Further QuestBridge opportunities

The College Prep Scholarship is a gateway to further QuestBridge educational opportunities. It is designed to prepare students to be successful applicants to the QuestBridge National College Match program, which pairs outstanding low-income high school seniors with admission and full four-year scholarships to our partner colleges.

Students who receive College Match scholarships will also join a national network of hundreds of QuestBridge Scholars who are as committed to helping others as they are to their own academic excellence and professional aspirations.

Who is eligible?

If you have an annual family income of less than \$60,000 and a strong academic record, we encourage you to apply. Many past award recipients have also been part of the first generation in their family to attend college.

Application

The College Prep Scholarship application is available at <http://application.questbridge.org>. The application is free of charge and is due March 31, 2008.

College Prep Scholarship award decisions will be sent to students by e-mail in the third week of April.