

Creighton University - Talent Search Program Application

Creighton University Talent Search Program is a free college access program sponsored by Creighton University and is 100% funded by the United States Department of Education. The Talent Search Program offers academic support, college preparation, career exploration, and personal development opportunities to qualified youth in middle and high school. Talent Search's goal is to help students stay in school, graduate, and enroll in and complete a postsecondary education.

To participate in Talent Search students must meet the following criteria:

- Be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident
- Be enrolled in Omaha Public School middle or high schools
- Complete the 5th grade and be at least 11 years old
- Earn a grade point average of 2.5 or above
- Express a desire to pursue and attain postsecondary education
- Two-thirds of Talent Search participants must be students who are low-income and potential first-generation college students:
 - First Generation: An individual whose parents have not completed a four-year degree;
 - Low Income: Household taxable income meets TRIO guidelines established by the U.S. Department of Education.

STUDENT INFORMATION

(please print)

Student name:

Last First MI

Mailing Address:

City State Zip

Telephone:

Alternate:

(____) _____ (____) _____

Student E-mail: _____

Note: This information is required for your child to be accepted in the Talent Search Program.

Social Security #: _____ - _____ - _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Current School: _____

Current Grade: _____ 10. Student ID#: _____

Student Information continued...

Are you a U.S. citizen?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, are you a legal permanent resident of the U.S.?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Alien Registration Number (ARN): _____

Select your race/ethnicity (select all that apply to you):

Do you identify as Hispanic or Latino: Yes ☐ No ☐

☐ American Indian or Alaska Native ☐ Asian

☐ Black or African American ☐ White

☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

Do you speak a language, other than English, as your primary language?

Yes ☐ _____ No ☐

Are you a member of another TRIO program (Upward Bound or Talent Search)

Yes ☐ _____ No ☐

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Select all that apply to which you would like to receive assistance:

- ☐ Career Exploration ☐ College Information
☐ Study skills/Test preparation ☐ Tutoring
☐ Financial Aid ☐ ACT Preparation
☐ Other: _____

List at least 3 colleges/universities that interest you:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

What careers or college majors interest you?

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian name(s):

Relationship to student: _____

Parent/Guardian email (please print):

Parent/Guardian Cell phone #: (_____) _____ - _____

Parent/Guardian alternative #: (_____) _____ - _____

Has either legal parent/guardian earned a 4 year college degree?
(Bachelor's Degree)

Yes ☐ No ☐

Note: This information is required for your child to be accepted in the Talent Search Program.

Family taxable income from last year? \$ _____

* **Taxable income is found on the following tax form lines:

1040 -line 43 **1040A**-line 27 **1040EZ**-line 6*

Number of individuals supported by the household income? _____

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

- ☐ Application completed and signed by student and parent
☐ OPS record release completed and signed (back page)
☐ Attach transcript (you can print one from the OPS Parent Portal.)

Federal TRIO Programs Current-Year Low-Income Levels

(Effective January 11, 2019 until further notice)

Size of Family Unit	48 Contiguous States, D.C., and Outlying Jurisdictions
1	\$18,735
2	\$25,365
3	\$31,995
4	\$38,625
5	\$45,255
6	\$51,885
7	\$58,515
8	\$65,145

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Eligibility: ☐ LI/FG ☐ LI ☐ FG ☐ OT

Citizenship Documentation: ☐ U.S. Citizen

☐ Legal Permanent Resident ☐ Resident Alien

☐ INS evidence showing intent to become permanent resident

Grade verification:

☐ Copy of transcript received ☐ Meets G.P.A. requirement

Income verification: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Coordinator's Evaluation:

☐ Accept ☐ Waitlist ☐ Not eligible

Coordinator's Signature: _____

Date signed: _____

Quality inspection date: _____ Inspected by: _____

Date entered into database: _____ Entered by: _____

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The Creighton University TRiO Talent Search Program (TS) reserves the right to admit or deny any student in the program.

CODE OF CONDUCT:

Respect and promote the dignity of all persons. Respect others at all times, including those of different cultures, ethnicities, backgrounds, etc.

- Inappropriate language, including explicit or offensive sexual remarks, name calling, and demeaning remarks will not be tolerated
- Disruptive behavior and behavior that bothers, offends, harms, or otherwise interrupts the learning process will not be tolerated.
- Cell phones and electronic devices should be put away during learning activities.
- Public display of affection will not be tolerated.

Respect the policies and procedures of the TS/Creighton University Community. Obey all laws. TS students and staff must feel safe in the educational setting.

- All weapons, including firearms, guns, knives, and any other item which could cause harm, are forbidden.
- Possession, use, or sale of drugs, alcoholic beverages or controlled substances is forbidden during Creighton University Talent Search events.
- If a participant is under the influence of and/or selling or distributing a controlled substance, law enforcement will be contacted. A participant is considered to be under the influence when there is impairment to his/her ability to think and act appropriately.
- Theft while attending a TS function whether in town or out of town will not be tolerated. Students are to respect the property of others. Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) will be required to pay the cost of repairs or replacement of damaged property including the bus and student hotel rooms.

Respect the personal, professional, academic, and vocational development of the members of the TS/Creighton University Community.

- Practice compassion and consider the needs and well-being of others
- Encourage the development of the moral, intellectual, emotional, personal, and vocational abilities of others.
- Meetings with TS staff members to discuss educational plans are required for program participation.
- Appropriate clothing for any planned TS event is required. (Please refer to the OPS Student Handbook)

Failure to follow and abide by the Creighton TS Code of Conduct may cause the participant to be suspended from receiving services and/or permanently banned from the TS program.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT/INFORMATION RELEASE:

- I have read and understand the Talent Search Code of Conduct.
- I allow Talent Search personnel to conduct research pertaining to my child's educational outcomes and authorize permission to release, request, and receive copies of academic, financial and other confidential information as required by the U.S. Department of Education. I understand that all records will be kept confidential in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974.
- I fully understand the nature of the risk of injury and loss of property associated with the Creighton University Talent Search program. I therefore release Creighton University, the Talent Search program and its employees from any and all claims made by my child or on behalf of my child should injury or loss of property occur as a result of his/her participation in the Creighton University Talent Search program.
- I understand that my child must attend a new participant orientation meeting and meet quarterly with Talent Search staff to discuss their educational goals.
- I understand that this release will remain in force until all research has been conducted and grant information has been collected by Talent Search personnel.

I certify that the information in this application is complete and true to the best of my knowledge.

X _____
Parent/Guardian Signature Date

X _____
Student Signature Date

Parent/Guardian Name (Print)

Student Name (Print)

MEDIA RELEASE:

I hereby give permission to Talent Search to use the names and pictures or images that are taken of me and/or my child for Talent Search marketing materials.

Parent/Guardian signature X _____

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Consent to Release Student Records

Student Information	
Student Last Name (legal): <i>Please print</i>	Student Number:
Student First Name (legal): <i>One student per application</i>	School:
Student Middle Name (full):	Grade:
Home Address:	Birth Date: <i>mm / dd / yy</i>
City: Zip:	Gender: <i>M / F</i>
Parent/Guardian Information	
Are you the legal guardian of this student? <i>Yes / No</i>	Relationship to Student:
Parent Last Name (legal):	Home Phone:
Parent First Name (legal):	Cell Phone:
Parent Middle Name (full):	Work Phone:
Talent Search College Access Program <p>Talent Search Program offers free academic support and college preparation services to qualified youth with the goal of helping them stay in school, graduate, and enroll in the college of their choice. Talent Search provides supportive services to individuals in middle and high school who have been underrepresented in the pursuit of higher education.</p>	
Consent to Release Information <p>In order for the Omaha Public School District to release confidential information to monitor progress toward individual student learning goals, or for research and evaluation, a consent form signed by the legal parent/guardian must be on file at the School District. Organizations sponsoring and funding this program may receive student data in summary form.</p> <p>By signing this enrollment and consent form, I authorize the Omaha Public School District to release the following student records to Talent Search staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Schedule • Quarterly grades • Transcripts <p>This authorization is valid and expires:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • when my child no longer participates in Talent Search Program <p>If your child's participation in this program continues after this date, Talent Search will request that you complete a new form reauthorizing the Release of Information. You may revoke this authorization at any time by submitting a letter to Talent Search 2500 California Plaza, Labaj Bldg, #117, Omaha, NE 68178.</p>	
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date: <i>mm / dd / yy</i>
Eligible Student Signature (age 18 or older):	Date: <i>mm / dd / yy</i>