

University Scholars Program

2022-2023 Application Timelines

Middle School Application Timeline

December 15, 2021: The University Scholars Program will begin accepting Applications for Participation for the 2022-2023 school year.

February 2022: Admission testing will begin for middle school applicants. Testing takes place either via Zoom or in person at the Advanced Ideas Center, located at *1585 Paoli Pike, West Chester, PA 19380*. For those located in the Pittsburgh area, admission testing can also take place via Zoom or in person at the Pittsburgh office, located at *55 Alpha Drive West, Pittsburgh, PA 15238*.

March 1, 2022: Early decision deadline for participation in the University Scholars Program for the 2021-2022 school year. Applications must be delivered to the Advanced Ideas Center (during business hours) or postmarked by Tuesday, March 1, 2021 for early decision consideration. Early decision notifications will be mailed in early April.

March 2, 2021: Rolling admissions begins from this point until the available spots for the 2021-2022 school year are filled. The University Scholars Program will post an announcement on this page when enrollment has closed.

July 15, 2022: Deadline for all application materials for students interested in program participation for the 2021-2022 school year.

***Participation in the University Scholars Program requires enrollment in the Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School (PALCS). PALCS enrollment information can be found at <https://www.palcs.org/enroll-now/>. Please wait until the 2021-2022 enrollment information is available to complete the PALCS Enrollment Packet. We cannot accept the 2020-2021 packet for the 2021-2022 school year.**

High School Application Timeline

High School onsite and virtual classes have limited openings for the 2022-2023 school year. Once all spaces are full, applicants will be placed on a waitlist for future considerations as spots open up. Being placed on a waitlist does not guarantee the student will be accepted for the upcoming school year. While there is a waitlist, we do recommend all interested students apply in the event a spot does open up. We will select the most appropriate candidate for an opening that becomes available.

December 15, 2021: The University Scholars Program will begin accepting High School Applications for Participation for the 2021-2022 school year.

April 1, 2022: Deadline for all application materials for high school students interested in program participation for the 2021-2022 school year.

April 2022: Admission testing will begin for high school applicants. Testing takes place either via Zoom or in person at the Advanced Ideas Center, located at *1585 Paoli Pike, West Chester, PA 19380*. For those located in the Pittsburgh area, admission testing can also take place via Zoom or in person at the Pittsburgh office, located at *55 Alpha Drive West, Pittsburgh, PA 15238*.

***Participation in the University Scholars Program requires enrollment in the Pennsylvania Leadership Charter School (PALCS). PALCS enrollment information can be found at <https://www.palcs.org/enroll-now/>. Please wait until the 2022-2023 enrollment information is available to complete the PALCS Enrollment Packet. We cannot accept the 2021-2022 packet for the 2022-2023 school year.**

University Scholars Program 2022-2023 Application Checklist

Please submit the items listed below to complete the University Scholars Program application:

- 2022-2023 University Scholars Program Application for Participation form
- 2022-2023 PALCS application (if not currently a PALCS student). Please read the information at www.palcs.org/apply-now/ and complete a PALCS Application or Application of Intent (if the 2022-2023 application is not yet available).
- 2 Teacher Recommendations (using the teacher recommendation form found on the website <http://www.palcs.org/usp/apply-usp/>)
- Copy of all available standardized testing results (such as WISC III or IV, TOMAGS, Iowa, Stanford, Terra Nova, SCAT/Johns Hopkins, PSAT, SAT, and PSSA).
- A copy of 2020-2021 final report card or final home school evaluation
- A copy of 2021-2022 most recent report card
 - o Homeschooled applicants, if your student does not have report cards, please submit as much material as you have to show what your student is currently learning.
- At least 2 examples of the student's written work
- Additional Materials
 - o GIEP, if your child has one. *Include GWR (gifted written report).*
 - o IEP or 504 plan, if your child has one
- Any other items you believe would be of value to our Admissions Department

Mail or email the completed University Scholars participation packet to:

University Scholars Program
Attn: Admissions
1585 Paoli Pike West Chester, PA 19380
Email: universityscholars@palcs.org

In order to move forward in the application process, the 2022-2023 application checklist must be completed. Both the University Scholars Program and the PALCS applications can be completed online and will be submitted directly to the admission team. All remaining materials must be submitted all at once.