



UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE
**PROFESSIONAL &
CONTINUING STUDIES**



ACADEMIC- **STUDENT APPLICATION**

Program and Applying Overview

The Governor's School for Excellence is a week-long program sponsored by the Office of the Governor of Delaware that provides traditional and non-traditional college-level education, leadership training, and social activities for academically and artistically gifted rising eleventh graders. Students nominated for Governor's School must reside in the state of Delaware and attend a selected Delaware High School. The program is held at the University of Delaware, Newark Campus on **Sunday, July 13 - Friday, July 18, 2025.**

How to apply:

Instructions for the applying student

1. Complete the 'Student Information' page (page 2).
2. Ask two teachers for a letter of recommendation using the forms provided below (pages 3-6). Teachers must have taught you within the past twelve months.
3. Send your completed 'Student Information' page, the two completed letters of recommendation, and the Achievement Test and Academic Rank page below to your guidance counselor. Your guidance counselor will complete that page.
4. Optional 500-word essay, if required by your school.

Instructions to the teachers making the recommendation

1. Complete the letter of recommendation using the letter below sent to you from the applying student (pages 3-6).
2. Send the letter of recommendation back to the applying student.

Instructions to the Guidance Counselors

1. Receive the 'Student Information' page, two letters of recommendation, and the 'Achievement test and academic rank' page from the applying student(s).
2. Complete the Achievement Test and Academic Rank page (page 7).
3. If you are not the designee to make the final decision, please forward the student's completed Academic Application package to that person, including the Student Information page, the two letters of recommendation, and the Achievement Test and Academic Rank page.

Notification of acceptance: March 2025

4. Estimate the extent to which the student demonstrates the qualities listed below.

Circle appropriate numbers.

(Scale: **8-10 Superior** **6-7 Good** **4-5 Fair** **1-3 Poor**)

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| • Independence of thought | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| • Intellectual curiosity | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| • Creativity | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| • Consistency of efforts in studies | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| • Attitude toward other students | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
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5. Please add any other comments you think would be helpful to the school selection committee in considering this student's application, including how you would rank the student among others with whom you have worked.

Teacher's Name (Type)

Teacher's E-signature

Subject Area

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