

The 2010 Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted

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Program Dates:

June 20 – June 26, 2010

In 1976, the State Board of Education initiated the Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted. The School is designed to provide a variety of distinctive educational experiences, supplemental to and different from the usual high school work. The 2010 curriculum will provide specific in-depth experiences designed to highlight future leadership. The School will operate June 20 – June 26, 2010 on The Ohio State University campus in Columbus.

Eleventh-grade students who will be seniors during the 2010 – 2011 school year and who are identified as gifted are eligible to submit applications to their superintendents. Each superintendent is authorized to forward one application for every 10,000 EBE, or fraction thereof, in that school district to the School Study Council of Ohio. Students from across Ohio will be selected to participate in the 2010 Essex School.

Please note, most forms comprising the application packet are to be completed online (responses are typed directly into form fields), printed in hard copy, and signed, where necessary. Completed forms should be directed to the district representative coordinating the nominated student's application process. In turn, the district representative should forward the entire application packet to the district superintendent, securing his/her authorization.

The 2010 Essex School application packet consists of the following (submit 1 complete copy of each):

APPLICATION COMPONENT	INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBLE FOR COMPLETION	FORM TYPE
Student Information Form	Student	Web Form *
Short Answer	Student	Word Document
Extended Essay	Student	Word Document
Teacher (A) Recommendation	Teacher (A)	Online Form
Teacher (B) Recommendation	Teacher (B)	Online Form
Parent / Guardian Permission Form	Parent / Guardian	Online Form
District Representative Form	District Representative	Online Form
Student Eligibility Confirmation Form	District Representative	Online Form
Superintendent Authorization Form	District Superintendent	Online Form

* Please note that the Student Information Form is the only form to be submitted both online and in hard copy. Upon clicking on the Student Information Form link on the Application Materials page, you will be directed to the web document into which student information is to be entered. As explained at the base of the form, once all information has been entered, the completed form should be printed and forwarded to the district representative for inclusion with all other application components. Finally, one must click the "Submit" button to transmit all form information directly to our electronic database.

Note: Please do not attach forms to one another using staples, paper clips, etc. Do not submit transcripts. Submission of transcripts and/or incomplete forms will automatically disqualify an applicant. Please direct inquiries concerning the Essex School and/or the application process to Paul Kulik (614-785-1163 x101 or pkulik@ssco.org).

Entries must be postmarked no later than Monday, March 22, 2010.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The purpose of the Essex School is to provide enrichment experiences for eleventh-grade students who are academically gifted and/or talented.
2. The School will operate June 20 – June 26, 2010. Throughout the entirety of the School, students will reside on the campus of The Ohio State University in a dormitory. Meals will be provided in dining halls or will be catered by restaurants in Columbus.
3. Those selected will participate in a summer enrichment experience that includes activities such as seminars, workshops and extended projects focusing on a variety of subjects, including government, science, engineering, the arts, the environment, technology, global education, human resources and career planning.
4. The School will explore academic and/or artistic pursuits at a level not always possible in the typical high school classroom. The topics addressed by the classes, seminars, workshops and extended projects will reflect the interests of the students. There will be opportunities to study in-depth components of a particular field, as well as to participate in special field trips, independent study, interest groups and supervised recreational activities.
5. Neither grades nor credits will be given; however, students will receive a certificate of participation at the conclusion of the School.
6. Districts and/or parents must assume a portion of the costs for participation in the 2010 Essex School. Depending upon the gifts/contributions received through March 31st, these costs will approximate one-half of the total costs for the week (\$1,000.00).
7. Transportation to and from the School must be provided by the student's parent(s)/guardian(s).
8. Dormitory resident advisors, dormitory security and medical services will be provided.
9. Because time at the Essex School is limited, students will not be granted leaves of absence from the School; attendance at all of the School activities is mandatory.
10. All students must adhere to the rules and regulations as prescribed and communicated to them. Any violation of these rules may result in the student's immediate dismissal from the School.
11. Automobiles, bicycles, motorcycles and other kinds of vehicles are prohibited. Students are not permitted to ride in vehicles, except when accompanied by a member of the School staff.

All completed application packets should be forwarded to:

ESSEX SCHOOL NOMINATIONS
SCHOOL STUDY COUNCIL OF OHIO
936 EASTWIND DRIVE, SUITE 100
WESTERVILLE, OHIO 43081