



YOUR COLLEGE PLANNING RESOURCE · A TRIO PROGRAM

The University of Texas at El Paso
Educational Talent Search Program
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Student Name: _____

School: _____

The University of Texas at El Paso's Educational Talent Search Program, one of the Federal TRIO Programs, is authorized by Title IV of the Higher Educational Act of 1965. Talent Search identifies and assists individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds who have the potential to succeed in higher education. The program provides academic, career, college admissions, and financial aid counseling for students and parents. All participants are advised to enroll in a post-secondary educational institution of their choice. Locally, the program assists students at Bowie and Jefferson High Schools and Guillen and Henderson Middle Schools. The program is designed to motivate and support students by offering an array of educational opportunities. The success of our students will impact not only their families but the community as a whole. Our goal is to leave a lasting impression on our students and instill in them the confidence needed to succeed not only in El Paso, but wherever their endeavors take them.

All applicants must submit proof of eligibility in order to participate, including:

1. **Copy** of Verification on Income (Tax Return, Food Stamp Benefit Letter, or Social Security Benefit Letter)
2. **Copy** of Birth Certificate or Residency Card of the Student
3. **Copy** of Social Security Card of the Student

El programa de Educational Talent Search, uno de los tres programas de TRIO, fue autorizado por el Título IV acto de Enseñanza Superior de 1965. Este programa identifica y ayuda alumnos en circunstancias económicamente difíciles que tienen la capacidad de lograr una educación universitaria. El programa instruye a los estudiantes y sus padres en como mejorar en sus estudios, prepararse para inscripción en Universidad con la ayuda económica necesaria y lograr carreras de profesionistas. A todos los participantes se les aconseja que se reciban de la preparatoria y sigan con estudios en la Universidad que prefieran. Localmente, el programa ayuda alumnos en las escuelas preparatorias Bowie y Jefferson y secundarias Guillen y Henderson. El programa está diseñado para motivar y apoyar a los estudiantes, ofreciéndoles oportunidades educativas. El éxito de nuestros estudiantes impactara no solo a sus familias sino también a la comunidad entera. Nuestra meta es dejar una impresión profunda en nuestros estudiantes e inculcarles la confianza necesaria para que puedan triunfar no solo en El Paso sino en cualquier lugar donde sus esfuerzos los dirijan.

Todos los candidatos deben presentar la siguiente documentación para poder calificar:

1. **Copia** de Verificación de ingresos (Declaración de impuestos, carta de estampillas de comida, TANF, o beneficios del Seguro Social) del estudiante
2. **Copia** de Acta de Nacimiento o mica de residencia permanente del estudiante
3. **Copia** de Tarjeta de Seguro Social del estudiante

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STUDENT INFORMATION

1. Full Name: _____ Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
2. Age: _____ 3. Sex: () M () F 4. Date of Birth ____/____/____ 5. Home Phone: _____
6. Alternate Phone: _____ 7. Social Security Number: _____
8. Student I.D. Number: _____
6. Citizenship: () U.S. Citizen () Eligible Non-Citizen #A: _____ () Other _____
7. Ethnic Background: () Hispanic () Asian/Pacific Islander () Black/African American () White () American Indian/ Native American () Other
8. School Attending: _____ 9. Circle Current Grade: 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
10. Do you receive: Reduced Lunch _____ Free Lunch _____ Neither Program _____

PARENTS INFORMATION

1. What language do your parents prefer to receive information in? English ___ Spanish ___
2. Do you live with your parent(s) or Guardian(s)? Yes _____ No _____

Please provide the following information about the person(s) you live(d) with before turning 18:

Name Female Head of Household _____ Name Male Head of Household _____
Relationship to You _____ Relationship to You _____
Highest Educational Level _____ Highest Educational Level _____
Place of Work _____ Place of Work _____

With a few exceptions, you are entitled on your request to be informed about the information of The University of Texas at El Paso collects about you. Under the Sections 552.021 and 552.023 of the Texas Government Code, you are entitled to receive and review information. Under Section 559.004 of the Texas Government Code, you are entitled to have The University of Texas at El Paso correct information about you that is held by us and that is incorrect, in accordance with the procedures set forth in The University of Texas System 139 (UTS139- Texas Public Information Act). The information that The University of Texas at El Paso collects will be retained and maintained as required by Texas records retention laws (Section 441.180 et seq. of the Texas Government Code) and rules. Different types of information are kept for different periods of time; however, if a federal or state statute or regulation specifies a longer retention period for any records series received, created or maintained by an agency, the statute or regulation overrides the schedule.

The University of Texas at El Paso Educational Talent Search Program does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability or sexual orientation in student acceptance procedures or provisions of services.

TRIO Programs (Upward Bound Programs, Educational Talent Search Programs, Student Support Services Programs, Upward Bound Math Science Programs, Veteran's Upward Bound Programs, Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Programs and Educational Opportunity Centers) are one hundred percent federally funded under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 by the United States Department of Education.

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INCOME and FIRST GENERATION INFORMATION

You must complete all portions for this application to be considered, if the answer is zero, use 0.

Student's Name: _____ Student's Birthday: _____

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Which Parent(s)/Guardian(s) does this child live with? (circle)

Both Mother Only Father Only Mother and Guardian Father and Guardian
Neither (explain): _____

Does mother have a Bachelor's Degree? Yes No
Does father have a Bachelor's Degree? Yes No
Number of people in household _____ Number of people under 18 _____
Does your child qualify for free or reduced lunch? (circle) Yes No

Please use last year's tax return information

Year of Tax Return _____ I/We claimed _____ exemptions.

Filing Status: Single ____ Head of Household ____ Married, filing jointly ____ Married, filing separate ____

- My exact taxable income from Form 1040, line 40, Form 1040A, line 27 or Form 1040EZ, line 6 was \$ _____ (If you filed a return, DO NOT LEAVE THIS BLANK. If the answer is zero use 0.)
- I did not and will not file a Federal Income Tax Return, IRS form 1040, 4040A or 1040EZ for _____ (last year) for the reason listed below. I will, if requested, provide confirmation for the Internal Revenue Service to this effect.
- _____ Family household's annual taxable income was less than the amount required for filing. _____
Received no taxable income.

Check all that apply:

_____ Social Security Monthly \$ _____ Annually \$ _____
_____ Child Support Monthly \$ _____ Annually \$ _____
_____ Foster Care Support Payment Monthly \$ _____ Annually \$ _____
_____ Public Assistance (TAFI or other) Case Number: _____
_____ Other Monthly \$ _____ Annually \$ _____

For all Parents:

I certify that the information on this form and any attachments are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

PLEASE CHECK ALL OF THE SERVICES YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO RECEIVE

_____ Study Skills and Habits _____ Self-Esteem/Social Skills
_____ Goal Setting/Decision Making _____ Reading/Writing Skills
_____ Organization/Time Management _____ PSAT/ACT/SAT Preparation
_____ Class Tutoring _____ Scholarships/Financial Aid/Admissions
_____ Communication/Listening Skills _____ Career Information

Does your child plan to go to college after he/she graduates? Yes ___ No ___ Not Sure ___

What careers and jobs interest your child the most? _____

**UTEP EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH
SCHOOL RECORDS RELEASE FORM**

Note to the student parent:

The University of Texas at El Paso Educational Talent Search Program is required to follow the performance and progress of our participation through their college career. This form will be mailed to middle school, high school and college registrars allowing our program staff to receive copies of your school records for tracking and reporting purposes. This form as dated below will serve as the only records release form valid from the date signed until the completion of your postsecondary program of study.

Note to middle school, high school and college registrars:

The University of Texas at El Paso Educational Talent Search Program is mandated by the U.S. Department of Education to follow the progress of program participants through their middle school, high school and college career. This form as dated below is the only release form to be used by our program. Due to the transient nature of our students it will become nearly impossible to seek annual updates of this form. The signatures below indicate that they realize this form (as dated below) will be used for many years in the future once they complete our college preparatory program. Thank you for honoring our request for information.

Student/Family Agreement:

I understand that as part of The University of Texas at El Paso Educational Talent Search Program selection process, my child's school records (including transcripts, report cards, financial aid status, standardized test score and academic progress reports) may need to be examined by Educational Talent Search Program staff. I also understand that if accepted, the Educational Talent Search Program Regional Center will continue to require this information throughout the duration of my high school and college careers.

I hereby give permission to the University of Texas at El Paso Educational Talent Search Program request the following information from my child's middle school, high school or institution of post-secondary education at this time or anything in the future as needed and extend its validity from the date signed until the completion of their post-secondary program of study.

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| 1.) School Records | 4.) Student's status and performance with the institution |
| 2.) Standardized test scores | 5.) Student's financial aid status |
| 3.) Report cards/Transcripts | 6.) Social security card and Birth Certificate (copy) |
| 7.) Student's current phone and mailing address | |

Father/Legal Guardian (Please Print)

Father/Legal Guardian Signature Date

Mother/Legal Guardian (Please Print)

Mother/Legal Guardian Signature Date

Student Name (Please Print)

Student Signature Date

Student's Current High School

Student's Current Middle School

UTEP EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH
RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

Participant: (Name and Address)

University: The University of Texas at El Paso

Department: Educational Talent Search Program

Description of Activity or Trip:

UTEP Educational Talent Search Program field trips may include but are not limited to Chihuahuas Baseball games, Viva El Paso, movies, swimming, theatrical performances, rope courses, leadership retreats, museum tours, cultural enrichment activities and collegiate bus trips to visit regional colleges and universities.

I am the Parent/Guardian of the above named Participant who is under eighteen years of age and am fully competent to sign this agreement.

I give permission for the Participant to participate in the above referenced activity or trip. I acknowledge that the nature of the activity or trip may expose Participant hazards or risks that may result in Participant's illness, personal injury or death and I understand and appreciate the nature of such hazards and risks. In consideration of Participant being permitted to participate in the activity or trip, I hereby accept all risk to Participant's health and his/her injury that may result from such participation and I hereby release The University of Texas at El Paso, its governing boards, officers, employees and representatives from any liability to Participant, Participant's personal representatives, estate, heirs, next of kin and assigns for any and all claims and causes of action for loss of or damage to Participant's property for any and all illness or injury to Participant's person, including Participant's death, that may result from or occur during Participant's participation in the activity or trip, whether caused by negligence of the university, its governing board, officers, employees, and representatives or otherwise. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the university and its governing board, officers, employees and representatives from liability for the injury or death of any person(s) and damage to property that may result from Participant's negligence or intentional act or omission while participating in the described activity or trip.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND UNDERSTAND IT TO BE A RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION FOR PARTICIPANT'S INJURY OR DEATH OR DAMAGE TO PARTICIPANT'S PROPERTY THAT OCCURS WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE DESCRIBED ACTIVITY OR TRIP AND ITS OBLIGATES ME TO INDEMNIFY THE PARTIES NAMED AND FOR ANY LIABILITY FOR INJURY OR DEATH OF ANY PERSON AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY CAUSED BY PARTICIPANT'S NEGLIGENT OR INTENTIONAL ACT OR OMISSION.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Address, if different than Participant's

Date

Witness

Date