



# College Prep Program at Penn Charter

□ 3000 West School House Lane □ Philadelphia, PA 19144 □

## First Year Application

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for applying to the College Prep Program at Penn Charter, which has been serving Philadelphia high school youth since 1971. College Prep is a five-week commitment. If you apply and are accepted, you will be expected to attend the following:

- **Orientation**, Wednesday, June 24, 2015
- **Each day of classes**, beginning Friday, June 26, ending Friday, July 31
- **Extra-curricular activities** when offered, including science labs, art projects, and tours of area colleges
- **Overnight stay at West Chester University**, departing Monday, July 13 returning Friday, July 17
- **Workshops and social gatherings** held throughout the school year

A completed application must contain all the following pieces listed below and be submitted by the **deadline of May 4, 2015**.

- 1) This **application form completely filled out**, including the two brief essay questions.
- 2) A copy of your **most recent report card**.
- 3) **One completed Recommendation Forms** from your teachers.
- 4) **A non-refundable application fee of \$10**, check or money order payable to "College Prep Program at Penn Charter." NOTE: If accepted, you will be asked to pay a \$40 enrollment fee.
- 5) The **Parent / Guardian Contract** must be completely filled out and signed.

Mail the completed application to: **Lee Payton / Liz Spagnoletti**  
**William Penn Charter School**  
**3000 West Schoolhouse Lane**  
**Philadelphia, PA 19144**

*Print all the following information clearly. It is recommended that you make copies of your completed application and essays and keep them.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_ Present Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Most Frequently Used Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

*On a separate sheet (typed, if possible), answer the following two items. It should be no longer than a single page.*

- 1) Why are you applying to the College Prep Program? What do you hope to gain from it?



2) Describe something that has been a challenge or an obstacle for you in your education. How did you respond? What **specific things did you do** to overcome this challenge?

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### Family Agreement

Dear College Prep Families,

Thank you for wanting to be part of the College Prep Program at Penn Charter, which has been serving Philadelphia high school youth since 1971. Your participation is vital to your student's success in the Program. By filling out the following form, you are not only giving permission for the student to attend the Program but telling us that you, like our students, will be committed to the Program and available for our events offered throughout the summer.

The following are some important dates.

- **Orientation:** Wednesday, June 24, 2015
- **Family Night:** Week of July 9, 2015
- **West Chester University Overnight Stay:** Monday, July 13 through Friday, July 17
- **Graduation:** Friday, July 31, 2015

**Please print all the following information clearly.**

Name of Parent / Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent / Guardian (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent / Guardian (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Email(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College Prep Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

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Address 1 \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Address 2 (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please include this in the student's application packet to be mailed to Lee Payton. Thank you!**



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## Recommendation Form

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for taking the time to recommend this student to the College Prep Program at Penn Charter, which has been serving Philadelphia high school youth since 1971. Please complete the form below and return to the student in a seal envelope or mail it directly to:

**Lee Payton**  
**William Penn Charter School**  
**3000 West School House Lane**  
**Philadelphia, PA 19144**

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Subject(s) You Teach \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the student and in what contexts?

\_\_\_\_\_

**What three words come to mind when you think about this student?**

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_ 3) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please rate the student's traits by checking the applicable boxes.**

	Seldom	Sometimes	Frequently	Consistently
Completes work in a timely manner				
Has a positive, curious approach to learning				
Demonstrates academic ability in your subject				
Is willing to put in extra time				
Shows leadership and resists peer pressure				
Demonstrates character and personal promise				

**Please describe how the student shows his or her potential and ability as a college-bound scholar.**  
(Feel free to attach additional comments, if necessary.)

**What difficulties or areas of challenge would you anticipate for this student in engaging with the social and/or academic aspects of the Program?**