



Public Schools of North Carolina

North Carolina Governor's School 2023-2024



A Quick History Lesson & Overview

- 1963
- One program, two campuses
- More than 36,000 alumni!
- Program Components
 - Bridge high school to college
 - 'Question Everything'
 - Emphasis on contemporary thought
- No tests or grades, just learning



Information

- [Governor's School Family Overview](#)
- Governor's School website
 - www.ncgovschool.org
 - Student application
 - Recommendation form
 - [Informational Video](#)
 - Email: ncgovschool@dpi.nc.gov
- Contact your high school counselor



Information

- Four-week program
- 2024 Dates TBA
 - 2023: June 18-July 15
- In person on college campuses
- Area I, II, III

East Campus:



West Campus:



What do I study? Well, for starters...Area I

Academics

- English
- Spanish (one site)
- Mathematics
- Natural Science
- Social Science

Arts

- Choral Music (Mixed Chorus; Treble Choir)
- Dance
- Instrumental Music (Wind Ensemble/Band; Full Orchestra)
- Theater
- Visual Art



Is that all? Just 'camp'?

Well, not exactly...

Area II

- Philosophical thinking and questioning
- Epistemology
- Beauty? Art? Truth? Time?
- Tools for thinking

Area III

- 'Self & Society'
- Encountering values and approaching ethics
- Personal reflection



But wait, there's more...

- Seminars
- Exhibitions
- Electives
- Sports
- Speakers
- Field trips
- Convocations
- Dances
- Concerts



“Governor’s School is a diverse educational experience like no other. Learning occurs everywhere.”

Governor’s School West Student,



Timelines

- **September 18** – Applications and Recommendation Forms available on Governor's School website
- **Late October** - GCS application deadline
- **Mid-December 2023** – GCS nominations due to State
- **Early March** – Notification about selection
- **April 2024** – Acceptance due
- **Mid-June – Mid-July** – Governor's School!



Eligibility

Residency

- North Carolina resident
- No exchange or visiting students

Enrollment

- In a North Carolina public or non-public school (no out-of-state schools)
- Current 11th grade for all discipline
- Current 10th or 11th for Choral, Instrumental and Dance

Application Packet

Student Application

- Use the official Governor's School form
- Essays/Audition
- Personal Readiness
- Students submit electronically to counselor

Recommendations (2)

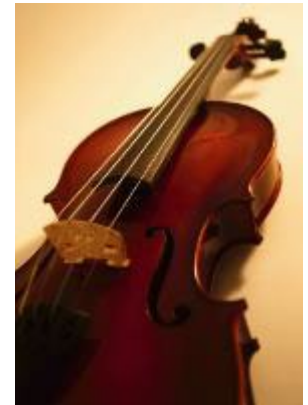
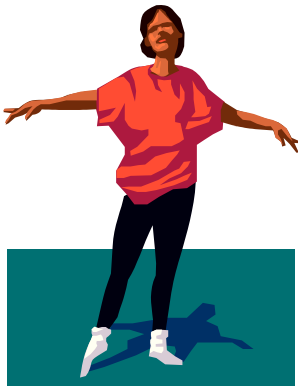
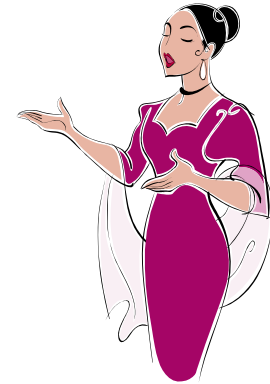
- Use the official Governor's School form
- #1 – HS teacher (Area 1)
- #2 – Another teacher, counselor, coach, community leader, etc.
- No family
- Recommender sends electronically directly to school official



Auditions



- Choral Music
 - Dance
 - Instrumental Music
 - Theater
 - Visual Arts
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- GCS Arts Application Audition Supplement



Auditions: Best Practice

- Create a free Google account
- Upload recordings and photos to Google Drive folder
 - Recordings should be MP4 or YouTube format
- Ensure that the sharing link is 'View By All'
- Add link to GCS Arts Application Audition Supplement document
- Share document with Counselor

What About Tuition?

- \$500 per student, to complement partial funding by NC General Assembly
- Guilford County Schools pays the tuition for all students accepted to participate

Chances?

- One sure way to **not** get into Governor's School...
- 25% to 40%
- If NOT selected, KEEP FOLLOWING YOUR DREAM!



Questions?

- ASK!
 - Local: high school counselor
 - State: www.ncgovschool.org or ncgovschool@dpi.nc.gov
- Contacts
 - Rodney Allen, Coordinator
 - ncgovschool@dpi.nc.gov

GCS Participation Summer 2023

- 37 students selected
- 12 GCS Schools represented at Governor's School 2023:
 - Grimsley, Early College at Guilford, High Point Central, Northern, Northwest, Page, Ragsdale, Southeast, Southwest, STEM Early College, Weaver, Western
- Areas of selection:
 - English (5), Natural Science (7), Math (3), Social Science (7)
 - Choral Music (6), Instrumental Music (7), Visual Art (1)

Hear from GS Alum!

