



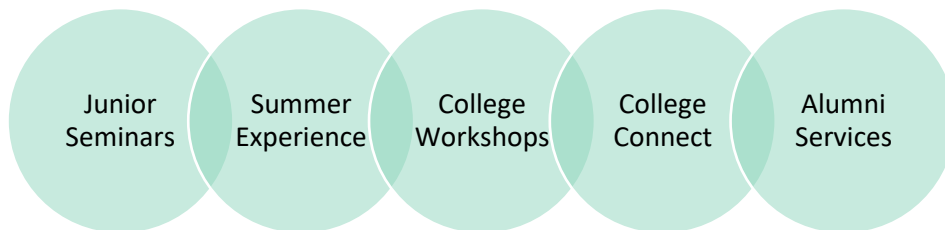
**Required Application To-Do List:**

- Short Responses
- Statement of Commitment, signed by parent & student
- Recommendation Form
- Official Transcript & recent report card
- PSAT scores

**Application Due Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Building STEPS is a non-profit built on one simple principle; a college education changes a person’s life.** Building STEPS has partnered with Baltimore City Public Schools since 2001 and 80% of our program graduates earn a college degree. Participation is 100% free.

Through a series of five **Program Components**, Building STEPS provides activities and opportunities that create the exposure and support necessary for college and career success.



- *Junior Seminars:* expose 11<sup>th</sup> graders to careers that rely on science and technology through interactive monthly field trips hosted by local businesses;
- *Summer Experience:* places rising seniors in a paid internship that includes professional and academic workshops;
- *College Workshops:* guide 12<sup>th</sup> graders through the college and financial aid application processes, while preparing them for the 1<sup>st</sup> year of college;
- *College Connect:* provides a proactive safety net that connects college students to resources and supports that ensure success;
- *Alumni Services:* delivers a breadth of services that support and promote career development.

***We equip our city’s brightest students with the tools to propel them to college and career success.***

**BUILDING STEPS SCHOOLS**

ACCE • Augusta Fells Savage • Benjamin Franklin • Carver Vocational Technical • Digital Harbor • Edmondson-Westside • Forest Park • Frederick Douglass • Mergenthaler • Patterson • Paul Laurence Dunbar • New Era • Renaissance Academy • Reginald F. Lewis • Vivien T. Thomas

First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Short Responses

Your Short Responses helps us get to know you, apart from your courses, grades, and test scores. **Please answer ALL questions; use the space provided or attach a typed response. Do not leave any questions blank.**

**1. One thing I would change about my school is...**

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**2. Imagine you had an extra hour in the day – how would you spend that time?**

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**3. Tell us something you have taught yourself. How did you go about teaching yourself this new skill or idea, and how did it benefit you?**

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**4. Imagine that you have received a sought-after national award five years from now. Why did you receive the award, what is the award, and what are the circumstances under which you are receiving the award? [please do not write about sports]**

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**5. What do you hope to experience with Building STEPS?**

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**6. What questions do you have for Building STEPS?**

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## Student Contact

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Statement of Commitment

We (I) understand that \_\_\_\_\_, has been selected to apply to Building Science Technology And Education Partnerships Inc. (Building STEPS), and if accepted in to the program, has permission to participate in the multi-year program, including the monthly seminar series, part-time summer internship, college workshops and any additional off-campus trips.

Furthermore, we (I) understand:

1. the seminar series and college workshops take place during the scheduled school day, off of school grounds, at business and professional centers around the Baltimore Metropolitan area;
2. transportation will be provided by Building STEPS;
3. students are required to wear their school uniform during all Building STEPS activities; jeans and t-shirts are not acceptable;
4. students are expected to arrive to school or designated pick-up location on time, or by the pick-up time assigned by Building STEPS.
5. attendance at all Building STEPS seminars/events is mandatory and failure to meet attendance requirements will result in dismissal from the program;
6. Building STEPS is authorized to receive copies of academic records (birth certificates, transcripts, report cards, and PSAT/SAT/ACT scores);
7. at the conclusion of the seminar series, providing that no more than two events have been missed and all assignment have been completed, a paid, part-time summer internship will be offered;
8. photographs taken of the students during Building STEPS' activities may be used for marketing and public relations purposes;
9. Building STEPS has permission to provide over-the-counter medication.

## Family Contact

*This section should be completed by the student's parent or guardian. All information will be kept confidential.*

### Parent or Guardian 1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of communication; check all that apply:

Text Phone Call Email Mail

#### *Education Level:*

- Some high school
- High school diploma
- Vocational/certification
- Some college
- Associate's degree
- Bachelor's degree
- Graduate degree
- I don't know

#### *Employment:*

- Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_
- Unemployed
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent or Guardian 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred method of communication; check all that apply:

Text Phone Call Email Mail

#### *Education Level:*

- Some high school
- High school diploma
- Vocational/certification
- Some college
- Associate's degree
- Bachelor's degree
- Graduate degree
- I don't know

#### *Employment:*

- Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_
- Unemployed
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

## Emergency Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature

Print Name

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Print Name

Date