

MEMORANDUM

To: Parents and Guardians
From: Dr Leonese Nelson, Program Director and Erika Lovette-Turner, Assistant Director
Subject: STEP Open Enrollment and Applications
Date: Fall 2020

Syracuse University's **Science and Technology Entry Program (STEP)** is in the process of finalizing plans for an enrichment/academic program that students will find both fun and exciting. Special thought and attention have been given to hands-on activities with real life implications. As participants in the program, students can take advantage of math and science tutorials and a virtual Saturday Learning Academy/Enrichment Program which will take place online.

The Academy is comprised of advising, counseling, and academic instruction in math and science. We also offer tutorials, mentoring and other academic services such as workshops, book club, professional development, civic engagement, cultural awareness programs and more. **The STEP Program focuses primarily on the academic and personal development of its students. STEP is not an athletic or entertainment program. As a result, STEP is looking for students who are serious about their academic progress and success.** Therefore, students who meet the following requirements are encouraged to apply to the program.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND GUIDELINES

Students must:

- Be a New York State resident or have been a **resident of the State of New York twelve months** prior to application.
- Be a member of a **historically underrepresented group** (*Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian/Native Alaskan*) in the STEM field or be **economically disadvantaged**.
- Be enrolled in grades 7 – 12 and taking math and science courses.
- Have **an interest** in the math and science fields.
- Have an **overall GPA of 75** or better.
- Have and maintain **a 75 or better average** in math and science courses.

Applicants must meet all guidelines and requirements. Applications will be accepted on a first-come first serve basis until all slots have been filled. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the STEP Office at step@syr.edu or (315) 443-9171.

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