

## SEEDS – ACCESS CHANGES EVERYTHING

is an education-access nonprofit organization committed to providing promising students with access to top-tier education with little to no cost to families. Through three challenging academic programs, SEEDS prepares students for eventual placement into competitive independent schools and colleges across the country.

### SEEDS BY THE NUMBERS

**3000+** Number of SEEDS alumni to-date



**\$17,000** the amount that SEEDS invests in each student

**\$145+ million**

amount of tuition aid secured for students since organization's founding in 1992



**99%** percentage of SEEDS graduates who matriculate into competitive colleges + universities



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Interested in enrolling your child in a  
**PRIVATE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL**  
with **substantial financial aid?**



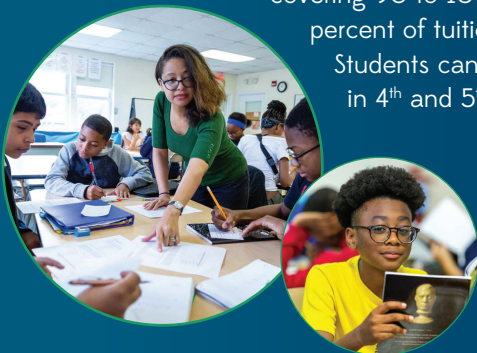
**YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

Is a private education at a day or junior boarding school an option for your child's future? If so, then the SEEDS Young Scholars Program is for you.

### THE SEEDS YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM

is a FREE 14-month academic program that prepares high-achieving 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>- grade students from low-income households for middle school placement at academically rigorous, private day or boarding middle schools. Through financial guidance and support, SEEDS also helps students and families secure substantial financial aid directly from those schools, oftentimes

covering 90 to 100 percent of tuition costs. Students can apply in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade.



### APPLICATION + PROGRAM TIMELINE

4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE YEAR\*

5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE YEAR\*

5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE YEAR\*

6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE YEAR\*

**September:** Application Period Begins

**January:** Early Decision Deadline

**March:** Regular Decision Deadline/  
Application Period Ends

**June/July:** Step 1: Summer Program

**Sept-June:** Step 2: Saturday Classes

**June:** Step 3: Summer Program

**July:** Program Graduation

\*For current 4<sup>th</sup>-grade students | \*\*For current 5<sup>th</sup>-grade students

### PROGRAM COMPONENTS

The program consists of two separate five-week summer sessions and Saturday classes during the academic year. Transportation to and from our partner schools is provided by SEEDS.

#### YSP Step 1

A five-week summer session that runs Monday through Friday. During this time, students take academic classes, receive SSAT and ISEE test prep, and participate in extracurricular activities. Step 1 takes place at Far Brook School in Short Hills, NJ.

#### YSP Step 2

Saturday classes during the academic year that include academic classes, test prep, completing school applications, financial aid workshops, mock interviews, and visiting schools. Step 2 takes place at Newark Academy in Livingston, NJ.

#### YSP Step 3

The second five-week summer session that runs Monday through Friday. Students receive additional academic instruction that prepares them for success at their new school. Step 3 takes place at Far Brook School.

#### Guidance + Alumni:

Upon graduation from SEEDS, students receive yearly visits from our Guidance + Alumni team and are provided with a range of services designed to help students and families navigate the academic, social, cultural, and emotional challenges that may arise during the transition to their new school.



### ELIGIBILITY

Students are eligible for consideration if they:

- Are in 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> grade;
- Have primary residence in Newark, Irvington, East Orange, or Orange;
- Are a US citizen or permanent resident;
- Meet SEEDS' household income requirement.

### TO APPLY

Complete the Inquiry Form at [www.seedsaccess.org/inquiryform](http://www.seedsaccess.org/inquiryform).

In addition to the application, supporting documents and recommendation forms must be submitted.

### LEARN MORE

Visit [www.seedsaccess.org/ysp\\_eligibility](http://www.seedsaccess.org/ysp_eligibility) for application details, eligible districts, and additional requirements.

